



KITSAP COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON SCOPE OF EIS

Description of Proposal: **Ueland Tree Farm Mineral Resource Development (#07 44975) – Conditional Use Permit to allow development of two sand and gravel mines, three basalt quarries and a concrete batch plant on a 152.3 acre portion of Ueland Tree Farm’s 1,716 acre working forest property located west of Bremerton in Central Kitsap County. Approximately 11,700,000 cubic yards of aggregate material is proposed to be removed from the site over an estimated 50 year period. Plans include phased development, reclamation of mine sites, monitoring, and critical area preservation.**

Proponent: Ueland Tree Farm

Location of proposal: West of Kitsap Lake, adjacent to Bremerton’s westerly urban growth boundary and watershed area, in unincorporated central Kitsap County. Access is off Northlake Way NW and NW Leber Lane, 0.25 mile northwest of Kitsap Lake.

Lead Agency: KITSAP COUNTY

EIS Required. The lead agency has determined this proposal is likely to have a significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c) and will be prepared. An environmental checklist or other materials indicating likely environmental impacts can be reviewed at our offices.

The lead agency has identified the following areas for discussion in the EIS:

Earth (slopes, erosion), air quality, surface water (streams, wetlands), groundwater, wildlife, land use, noise, traffic.

Scoping. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on the scope of the EIS. You may comment on alternatives, mitigation measures, probable significant adverse impacts, and licenses or other approvals that may be required. The method and deadline for giving us your comments is:

in writing to Kitsap County Department of Community Development, attn: David Greetham at the address below. **Written comments shall be postmarked by July 16, 2008.**

Responsible Official: David Greetham

Position/Title: Environmental Planner, Dept. of Community Dev. Phone: (360) 337-7181

Address: 619 Division Street, MS-36, Port Orchard, WA 98366

DATE: June 23, 2008

Signature: _____

Contact David Greetham, Environmental Planner, to read or ask about the procedures for SEPA appeals.

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