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DATE: October 15, 2024

TO: Dave Williamson, Bill Hordan, Department of Ecology, Affected Agencies, Affected Tribes, Parties of Record, Adjacent Property Owners

FROM: Phil Hoge, Yakima County Public Services Department: Planning Division

SUBJ: DNS and Adoption of Existing Environmental Documents
Record Numbers: LRN2024-00004 / SEP2018-00006
Proposed Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment (Applicant: Miocene Resource, LLC)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Yakima County, as State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) lead agency, is adopting existing environmental documents and issuing a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) for comment regarding the subject proposal, which is described in the enclosure.

Your comments related to this threshold determination are welcome and must be submitted by 4:00 PM on October 29, 2024. You may email your comments to longrangeplanning@co.yakima.wa.us or mail them to Yakima County Planning Division, 128 N. 2nd Street, 4th Floor, Yakima, WA 98901. Please include the Record Numbers in your comments.

Enclosure: "DNS, Adoption of Existing Document"



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STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE ADOPTION of EXISTING DOCUMENT

Date of issuance: October 15, 2024.

Lead agency: Yakima County.

Agency Contact: Phil Hoge, phil.hoge@co.yakima.wa.us, 509-574-2254.

Record Numbers: LRN2024-00004 and SEP2018-00006.

Description of proposal: Amend Yakima County's comprehensive plan by adding the Mineral Resource Overlay (MRO) to approximately 186 acres of parcel #161527-11001. This amendment would designate the site as a mineral resource area in accordance with the Growth Management Act and provide the protections of the resource as established by Yakima County's Unified Land Development Code (YCC Title 19).

Location of proposal: North of State Route 410 (SR 410), approximately two miles west of the intersection of SR 410 and SR 12, and approximately six miles west of the town of Naches. Parcel number is 161527-11001. Longitude: -120.823562, Latitude: 46.757596.

Applicant: Dave Williamson, Miocene Resource LLC. Proponent: Hordan Planning Services, phone: 509-249-1919, email: hordanplanningservices@outlook.com.

Title of documents being adopted: DNS and SEPA Environmental Checklist.

Dates adopted documents were prepared: November 21, 2018 (DNS). January 31, 2018 (SEPA Environmental Checklist).

Description of documents (or portion thereof) being adopted: These documents were prepared in 2018 in conjunction with an application for a comprehensive plan map amendment that was identical to the current proposal (LRN2024-00004) that is being considered in 2024. The lead agency in 2018 was Yakima County. Scope of review: The documents being adopted concern the proposal in 2018 that was the same as the one now being proposed in 2024; and they have not been appealed.

The adopted documents are available at: Yakima County Planning Division, 128 N. 2nd Street, Fourth Floor, Yakima, WA 98901; and online at:

<https://www.yakimacounty.us/DocumentCenter/View/38860/DNS-and-SEPA-Environmental-Checklist-2018>.

We have identified and adopted these documents as being appropriate for this proposal after independent review. The documents meet our environmental review needs for the current proposal and will accompany the proposal to the decision makers.

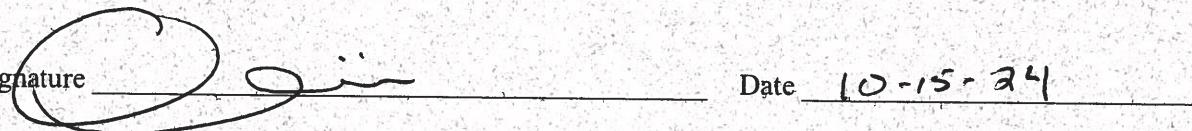
Yakima County (lead agency) has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This determination is based on the following findings and conclusions:

The requirements for environmental analysis, protection, and mitigation measures have been adequately addressed in the development regulations and comprehensive plan adopted under chapter 36.70A RCW, and in other applicable local, state, or federal laws or rules, as provided by RCW 43.21C.240 and WAC 197-11-158. Our agency will not require any additional mitigation measures under SEPA for this non-project action at this time; however, additional environmental review will be required at the project permit phase.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2) and the comment period will end on October 29, 2024.

SEPA Responsible Official: Thomas Carroll

Signature



Date 10-15-24

Appeal process: RCW 36.70A.280, *et. seq.*