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**J.E. "Sam" Ryan**  
Director

## SEPA Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS)

**File:** SEP2015-00032

**Project Description:** Construct seven engineered log jams in the North Fork of the Nooksack River. The proposal is designed to address limiting factors for ESA listed species in the North Fork jams.

**Proponent:** Nooksack Indian Tribe Natural Resources Department

**Address and Parcel #:** The project is located on both the right and left bank sides of the North Fork Nooksack River within the Farmhouse reach (RM48.1 to 48.4) between the towns of Maple Falls and Welcom

**Lead Agency:** Whatcom County Planning & Development Services

**Zoning:** Rural Forestry **Comp Plan:** Forestry

**Shoreline Jurisdiction:** Conservancy & Aquatic

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that with proper mitigation, no significant adverse environmental impacts are likely. Pursuant to RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c), an environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required. This decision was made following review of a completed SEPA environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

There is no comment period for this DNS.

Pursuant to WAC 197-11-340(2), the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of issuance indicated below. Comments must be received by June 5, 2015 and should be sent to: Sam McDaniel, smcdanie@whatcomcounty.us

**Responsible Official:** Wayne Fitch, wfitch@whatcomcounty.us

**Title:** Natural Resource Supervisor

**Telephone:** 360-676-6907

**Address:** 5280 Northwest Drive  
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**Date of Issuance:** May 22, 2015

**Signature:**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wayne Fitch", is written over a horizontal line.

An aggrieved agency or person may appeal this determination to the Whatcom County Hearing Examiner. Application for appeal must be filed on a form provided by and submitted to the Whatcom County Current Planning Division located at 5280 Northwest Drive, Bellingham, WA 98226, during the ten days following the comment period, concluding June 15, 2015.

You should be prepared to make a specific factual objection. Contact Whatcom County Current Planning Division for information about the procedures for SEPA appeals.