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Mr. Robert Maul, SEPA Responsible Official City of Camas, Community Development Department 616 NE Fourth Avenue Camas, WA 98607

Re: SEPA – Dawson Ridge Subdivision Preliminary Plat (SEPA17-16)

Dear Mr. Maul:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the SEPA Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance (MDNS) for the Dawson Ridge Subdivision Preliminary Plat (SEPA17-16). It is our understanding that the proposal is located in a portion of Sections 08 and 09, Township 01 North, Range 03 East, W.M. We have reviewed the MDNS and the parcels using our Forest Practices Review Application Mapping Tool. Based on this information we have the following initial comment.

As seen on the aerial photos there is standing merchantable timber on portions of the property. The SEPA Environmental Checklists indicates this proposal includes the removal of trees, small shrubs and grass in the development impact areas. If any of the merchantable timber will be removed/harvested as part of the proposal or future development, a Forest Practices Application (FPA) may be required (RCW 76.09 and WAC 222). The FPA would need to meet the requirements of the Forest Practices Act and its rules. If the applicant would like to meet on-site with our local Forest Practices Forester, they can call our Pacific Cascade Region office at (360) 577-2025.

If you have questions regarding this letter, please contact us at our Castle Rock office.

Sincerely,

Taylor Mizar

Forest Practices Coordinator **DNR Pacific Cascade Region**

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