



MEMORANDUM

December 4, 2009

File No. 09-120402

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Rochelle Knust, SEPA Center Manager

SUBJECT: **SEPA LEAD AGENCY & DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE**

This is to advise you that pursuant to WAC 197-11-900 (922 through 948), the Department of Natural Resources has determined that it is Lead Agency for the following:

North Bay Use Authorization for Geoduck Tube Removal and Shellfish Bed Maintenance. This proposal is to issue a right of entry to allow the removal of approximately 20,000 geoduck tubes from the beach and maintenance of oysters and oyster nets and bags. Harvest of aquaculture product is not proposed at this time. Located in Section 28, Township 22 North, Range 01 West, W.M., Mason County.

Information about this proposal including the Threshold Determination and SEPA Checklist can be viewed on DNR's website at:

<http://www.dnr.wa.gov/ResearchScience/sepa/Pages/Home.aspx>

Pursuant to WAC 332-41-504, this proposal was filed in the department's SEPA Center at the Natural Resources Building, 1111 Washington Street SE, P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington, on December 4, 2009. We will consider comments on this proposed DNS received by 4:30 p.m. on December 18, 2009. **Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at, sepacenter@dnr.wa.gov or P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington 98504-7015 for distribution to the responsible official. Please include the file number listed above on all comments.**