



DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal **2020 Gypsy Moth Eradication Project. This project involves the aerial application of the organic insecticide *Bacillus thuringiensis* var. *kurstaki* (Btk) at two sites in western Washington where 2019 trapping efforts identified populations of the newly found Hokkaido and European gypsy moth (*Lymantria dispar* spp.). Gypsy moths are an invasive pest known to feed on the foliage of hundreds of North American plant species and pose a significant threat to horticulture, forests, urban landscapes, and protected and endangered plants.**

Proponent **Washington State Department of Agriculture**

Location of proposal, including street address, if any **This project covers two locations in Snohomish County. Applications in the Boulevard Bluffs area will occur 3 to 5 times in the spring on an area 639 acres in size. Woodway treatments will occur 3 to 5 times in the spring on 672 acres on or adjacent to the city of Edmonds. (see attached maps)**

Lead agency **Washington State Department of Agriculture**

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does 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 decision was made after review of a completed 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.

This DNS is issued after using the optional DNS process in WAC 197-11-355. There is no further comment period on the DNS.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted by **April 7, 2020**.

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