LEWIS COUNTY – STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT THRESHOLD DETERMINATION DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

LEAD AGENCY: Lewis County – Community Development Department

PROPONENT: Lewis County Community Development

FILE NUMBERS: SEP23-0026

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: Non-project action: Amendments to LCC Titles 15, 16, and 17. The proposed code amendments would change the process to approve a new RV park or campground from a Binding Site Plan to a Special Use Permit process. In addition, new standards are included to allow no more than 25% of the camping sites to be occupied by a cabin or yurt, with a maximum size of structure set at 400 square feet. The amendments also increase the allowed length of stay from 180 days to 210 days. The amendments allow for one camping site to be occupied by caretaker accommodation, which are not subject to the length of stay limitation and may be up to 1,296 square feet in size. The amendments also allow for accessory uses within the RV Park/Campground, such as a convenience store, and clarify the screen and buffering requirements. The amendments do not change the zones within which RV parks and campgrounds are allowed.

LOCATION OF PROPOSAL: Countywide – code updates.

THRESHOLD DETERMINATION:

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 by Lewis County of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with this agency and such information is adopted herein by reference. This information is available electronically here:

https://lewiscountywa.gov/departments/community-development/rezones/comprehensive-plan-and-development-regulation-amendments/rv-parks-and-campground-code-update/

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the issue date below. Written comments must be submitted by **4pm on August 29, 2023.**

Responsible Official: Lee Napier, Director

Lewis County Community Development

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Contact Person: Karen Witherspoon, AICP, Senior Project Planner

Karen Witherspoon for Responsible Official

Date of Issue: August 15, 2023

This SEPA determination may be appealed in writing to the Lewis County Hearings Examiner until 4 pm on **September 5**, **2023** at the Lewis County Community Development Permit Center. Appellants should be prepared to make **specific factual objections**. The appeal procedure is established in Lewis County Code (LCC) Section 17.110.130 and LCC Section 2.25.130. The administrative appeal fee is established by Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. The current adopted fee schedule is available online at https://lewiscountywa.gov/departments/community-development/permit-applications-and-handouts/.