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November 29, 2022

The Honorable Bernard Dean Chief Clerk of the House 338B Legislative Building Olympia, WA 98504 The Honorable Sarah Bannister Secretary of the Senate 312 Legislative Building Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Chief Clerk Dean and Secretary Bannister:

Please accept the enclosed legislative report on State Lands Forest Health Treatment Prioritization, submitted on behalf of Department of Natural Resources (DNR), as required in RCW 79.10.530. The statute directs DNR to provide biennial progress reports towards treating state lands and state forestlands from the current prioritized list, provide a list of prioritized lands for the next biennium, recommended funding amounts for the next biennium, and summarize trends in forest health conditions. The statute and the ongoing report requirements were established in <u>E2SHB 1711</u> during the 2017 session. This is our third report under this statute, which is due to the Legislature, Office of Financial Management, and Board of Natural Resources by December 1<sup>st</sup> of each even-numbered year.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 360-486-3469 or Brian.Considine@dnr.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Members of the Senate Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources, and Parks Committee Members of the House Rural Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee Members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee Members of the House Appropriations Committee Office of Financial Management Board of Natural Resources