



DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE
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Description of Proposal:

Teck American Incorporated is proposing to remove slag-impacted sediments from an area commonly referred to as Black Sand Beach (BSB). The proposal is a voluntary independent interim action that will include removal of approximately 5,000 cubic yards of slag-impacted sediment and placement of imported backfill for beach restoration. BSB is located along the Upper Columbia River.

Proponent:

Teck American Incorporated
501 N. Riverpoint Blvd., Suite 300
Spokane, WA 99202
David Godlewski: (509) 747-6111

Location of Proposal:

Section 16; Township 40 N; Range 41 East
Assessor Parcel # 8000367
Stevens County, WA

Lead Agency:

Washington State Department of Ecology
Toxics Cleanup Program
4601 North Monroe
Spokane, WA 99205-1295

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it will 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 the Environmental Checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 30 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted no later than 5:00 PM February 5, 2010.

Responsible Official: Michael A. Hibbler, Toxics Cleanup Section Manager

Date: January 4, 2010 Signature: _____

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael A. Hibbler", written over a horizontal line.

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