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State Environmental Policy Act Determination of NonSignificance

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Lead Agency: Department of Ecology, Air Quality Program

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Description of Proposal: Ecology is proposing to revise the existing Ecology General Order for concrete batch plants. The intent of General Orders is to provide a streamlined permitting process for applicants who qualify and can satisfy the limits within the General Order. Ecology has had a concrete batch plant General Order since June 18, 2008, and revised it on December 6, 2011. Ecology is proposing to revise it again as allowed in WAC 173-400-560 (General Order of approval). Concrete batch plants store, convey, measure and discharge a combination of water, sand (fine aggregate), coarse aggregate, cement and supplementary cementitious materials into trucks for transport to a site. At some of these plants, materials are gravity fed from a weight hopper into mixer trucks where the concrete is mixed on route to a site. At other plants, concrete is mixed in a central mix drum before leaving the site. This General Order is intended for both central mix plants and truck mix plants. The revisions proposed for the General Order include limits on annual and daily production of air pollution producing materials; requirements to limit air pollution; requirements to keep air pollution equipment at certain distances from the property boundary and from any residence, occupied commercial building, school, hospital, nursing home or other sensitive receptor.

Applicant: Same as Lead Agency

Location of Proposal: The revision of this General Order is limited to an Ecology action of making the General Order available as an option. But it is not known when or if a facility will apply to use the revised General Order. Therefore there is no specific property or site to evaluate at this time. However, the revised General Order for concrete batch plants will be available for use by applicants in the following counties regulated by Ecology's Air Quality Program (Adams, Asotin, Chelan, Columbia, Douglas, Ferry, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, Kittitas,

Klickitat, Lincoln, Okanogan, Pend Oreille, Stevens, Walla Walla, and Whitman) or any other source regulated by Ecology]

Ecology has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement 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.

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- There is no comment period for this DNS.
- This DNS is issued after using the optional process in WAC [197-11-355](#). There is no further comment period on the DNS.
- This DNS is issued under WAC [197-11-340\(2\)](#); and will be available for comment jointly with the comment period for the general order revision.

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Signature Date: 5/4/2026