

## **State Environmental Policy Act**

## **DETERMINATION OF SEPA EXEMPT - SWCAA 22-025**

## **Description of proposal:**

ADP Application L-728: Replacement of bark dryer, bark dryer cyclone, and grinder baghouse. Repair of bark dryer baghouse. The proposed equipment modifications are limited to replacement and repair of existing equipment. The configuration/nature of existing operations will not be changed. Drying and grinding capacity will not increase as a result of the project. This project is exempt from SEPA requirements pursuant to WAC 197-11-800(3) since it only involves repair, remodeling, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing structures, equipment or facilities, and does not involve material expansions or changes in use.

**Proponent:** Willamette Valley Company (Dan Smothers, Operations Manager)

Location of proposal, including street address if any:

1830 Central Blvd, Centralia, WA 98531

Lead agency: Southwest Clean Air Agency

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the proposed project is exempt from SEPA under WAC 197-11-800(3) as follows: "The repair, remodeling, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing private or public structures, facilities or equipment, including utilities, recreation, and transportation facilities involving no material expansions or changes in use beyond that previously existing; ...." The proposed project is identified as maintenance of existing equipment and as such it does not have a probable significant impact on the environment. Neither an environmental checklist nor an environmental impact statement (EIS) is required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made by the lead agency after review of the proponent's proposal and the information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This project/permitting action by SWCAA is SEPA exempt.

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