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PROGRAM PLANNING AND INTEGRATION
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To all interested government agencies and public groups:

Under the National Environmental Policy Act, an environmental review has been performed on the following action.

TITLE: National Weather Service (NWS) Network Radar to Serve Coastal Washington

LOCATION: Grays Harbor County, Washington

SUMMARY: Construction and operation of an NWS Network Radar to serve the Coastal Washington Area. The planned radar will be similar to the 159 Weather Service Radars, Model 1988 Doppler (WSR-88Ds) in the nationwide network operated by the NWS. The NWS will use the data collected by the new radar to assist in preparing meteorological forecasts and providing warnings of severe weather.

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The environmental review process led us to believe that this action will not have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, an environmental impact statement will not be prepared. A copy of the finding of no significant impact including the supporting environmental assessment is enclosed for your information.

Although NOAA is not soliciting comments on this completed EA/FONSI we will consider any comments submitted that would assist us in preparing future NEPA documents. Please submit any written comments to the responsible official named above.

Sincerely,

for Paul N. Doremus, Ph.D.
NOAA NEPA Coordinator

Enclosure

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