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Immediate timber asset forfeiture resulting from application of the Non-fish perennial (Np) rule on western Washington's Private Forest Landowners by County.

For all Western Washington Private Forest Lands for parcels with forest cover of 5 acres or more.							
Estimated immediate stumpage volume and value lost to the proposed Np buffer rule based on species specific log prices from DOR stumpage value tables Jan-June 2025 applied to forest inventory estimates generated from the UW NRSIG database.							Excise Tax Impact calculated at 5%
Impact ranking by lost asset value	County	Upland acres removed from production	Change in harvestable volume (MBF)	Change in Harvestable Value	Percent Change per County	Percent of Total Lost Value	Total for current standing inventory
6	Clallam	(9,726)	(200,073)	-$80,516,382	-4.4%	4.4%	-$4,025,819
16	Clark	(4,110)	(82,987)	-$33,573,601	-3.6%	1.9%	-$1,678,680
3	Cowlitz	(28,029)	(539,961)	-$245,379,803	-6.8%	13.5%	-$12,268,990
4	Grays Harbor	(24,123)	(481,721)	-$216,034,134	-6.3%	11.9%	-$10,801,707
19	Island	(219)	(7,993)	-$4,040,159	-0.5%	0.2%	-$202,008
10	Jefferson	(5,530)	(123,932)	-$54,796,467	-3.8%	3.0%	-$2,739,823
9	King	(6,644)	(158,713)	-$66,651,683	-3.0%	3.7%	-$3,332,584
17	Kitsap	(1,060)	(31,967)	-$15,275,802	-1.6%	0.8%	-$763,790
1	Lewis	(43,961)	(808,685)	-$371,170,148	-7.2%	20.5%	-$18,558,507
14	Mason	(3,839)	(85,393)	-$40,861,803	-2.2%	2.3%	-$2,043,090
2	Pacific	(32,136)	(601,160)	-$259,652,702	-11.9%	14.3%	-$12,982,635
7	Pierce	(8,741)	(179,462)	-$76,547,688	-3.2%	4.2%	-$3,827,384
18	San Juan	(249)	(8,166)	-$4,118,707	-0.4%	0.2%	-$205,935
5	Skagit	(9,083)	(230,261)	-$98,440,721	-4.3%	5.4%	-$4,922,036
15	Skamania	(4,175)	(79,342)	-$35,361,668	-5.2%	1.9%	-$1,768,083
12	Snohomish	(4,309)	(111,069)	-$47,836,337	-2.1%	2.6%	-$2,391,817
13	Thurston	(5,982)	(96,012)	-$44,907,647	-3.2%	2.5%	-$2,245,382
8	Wahkiakum	(7,249)	(156,599)	-$68,362,217	-10.9%	3.8%	-$3,418,111
11	Whatcom	(4,899)	(119,240)	-$50,614,605	-3.5%	2.8%	-$2,530,730
	Grand Total	(204,066)	(4,102,736)	-$1,814,142,273	-5.0%	100.0%	-$90,707,114

- increase FREP liabilities by $250 million (90% of $277 million).
- remove 200,000+ acres; nearly $2.3B in asset value (timber, land, carbon); and 4.1 Billion Board Feet from the timber market.
- Total economic loss of $6 billion with job losses concentrated in Lewis (20.5%), Pacific (14.3%), Cowlitz (13.5%) and Grays Harbor (11.9%).
- Would remove 4–8% of the 2023 private harvest—equal to 1–2 sawmills, 2,000 jobs, and wood for up to 15,000 homes/year.

Table 2: Jobs and Tax losses from application of the Np rule on western Washington's Private Forest Landowners.

	* 2021 study	Np Volume reduction (from Table 1)	per year impact for 40-year rotation
Board Feet	1,000,000	4,102,736,408	102,568,410
direct jobs	15	61,541	1,539
Direct and indirect jobs	36	147,699	3,692
excise tax revenue		$90,707,114	$2,267,678
total tax revenue	$106,481	$436,863,475	$10,921,587

Washington's Environmental Health Disparities Maps support the intent of the HEAL Act. Predicted job losses from Table 2 will amplify the risks associated with living in poverty (Figure 1) and unemployment (Figure 2). That impact is especially profound for most of SW Washington and the Olympic Peninsula since these regions already have many at risk communities and most of the economic impact (over 70%). These health disparities and economic impacts have not been addressed, or even discussed, in the Np rule CBA or the Tier II analysis.

Figure 1: Percent of population currently living in poverty, by census tract.

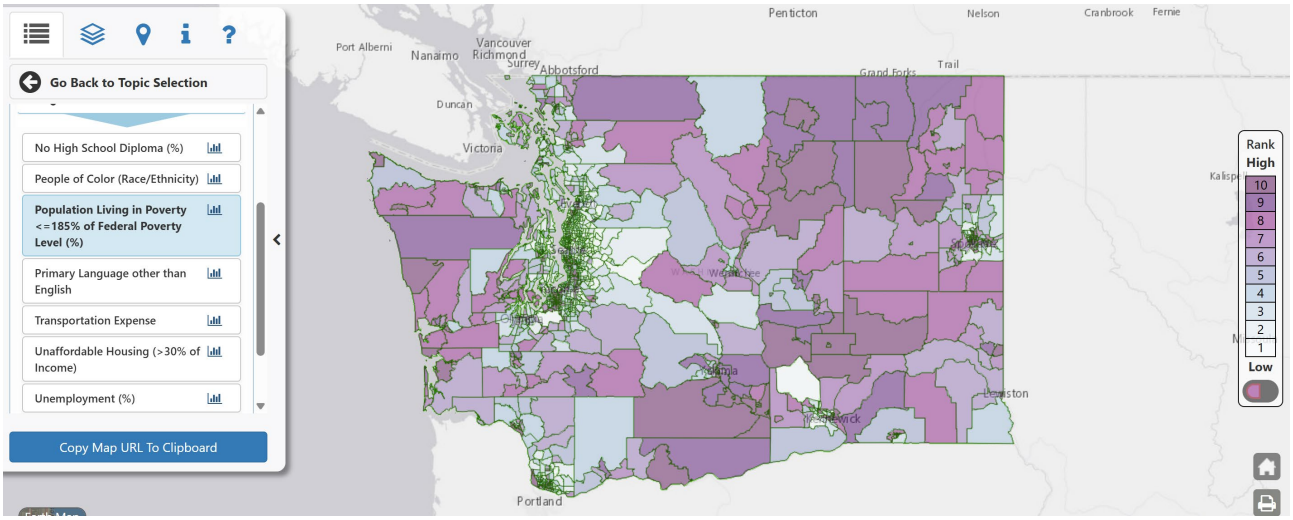

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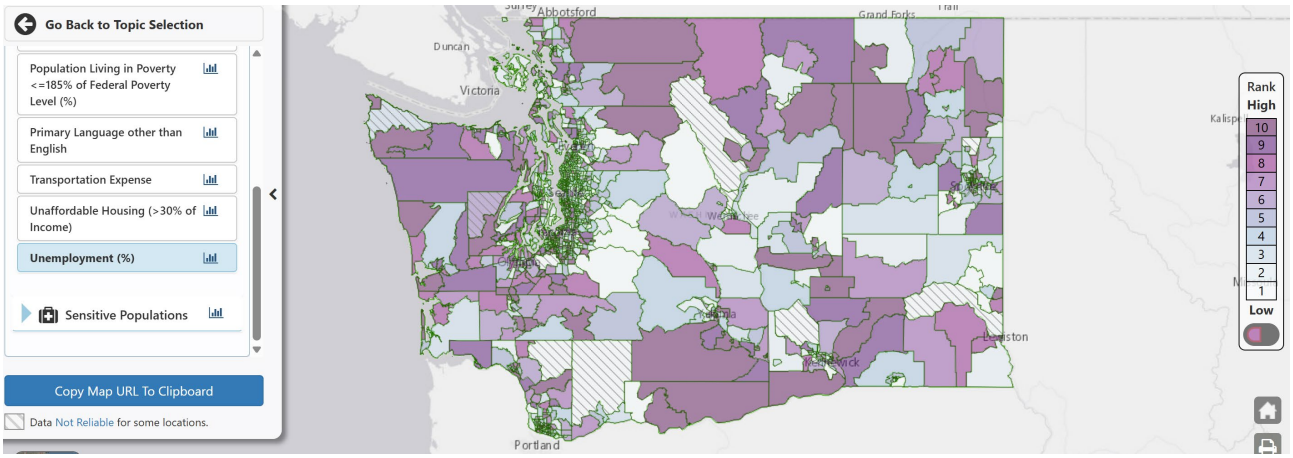
Figure 2: Percent unemployment by census tract.



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