

# Certification of Consistency with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program for Activities Requiring a Federal License or Permit

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# Why is this Certification of Consistency Required?

The federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) authorizes states to review federal actions for consistency with the federally approved enforceable policies of state coastal management programs. The issuance of federal licenses and permits are federal actions that are subject to state review where those licenses and permits have been listed by the state as subject to review. Listed federal license or permit activities under Washington's Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program are found on the Office for Coastal Management's website. Applicants for listed authorizations in the State's coastal zone<sup>1</sup> must show that the proposed activity is consistent with the enforceable policies found in four state laws and their implementing regulations (the Shoreline Management Act, Clean Air Act, Water Pollution Control Act, and Ocean Resources Management Act (ORMA)), and in the Marine Spatial Plan for Washington's Pacific Coast (MSP). Examples of federal permits and licenses include U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) permits, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) licenses, and U.S. Coast Guard bridge permits. A federal agency cannot issue a permit or license unless the Department of Ecology (Ecology) concurs that the project is consistent with Washington's enforceable policies. If the state issues a CZMA objection to a proposed federal license or permit activity, the federal agency cannot authorize the activity unless the state removes its objection or the U.S. Secretary of Commerce overrides the state objection in an appeal filed by the applicant.

The requirements for CZMA federal consistency reviews are found at 16 U.S.C. § 1456 (Section 307 of the CZMA) and the Federal Consistency regulations at 15 CFR part 930. The specific rules for the review of federal licenses and permits are found at 15 CFR part 930, subpart D. Ecology has prepared this form to help applicants demonstrate consistency with the State's CZM Program.

## **Next Steps:**

For projects that need a Corps permit, please submit the form and supporting materials as described below to the Corps at <a href="MWS-PermitApp@usace.army.mil">NWS-PermitApp@usace.army.mil</a> and it will be forwarded to Ecology for review. For projects that need other types of federal permits or licenses, please submit the form and supporting materials to fedconsistency@ecy.wa.gov.

Along with this form, please submit the following:

- A copy of the application for federal permit or license,
- Project location map,
- Site plans, and
- Supporting documentation as identified below under the enforceable policies.

<u>Note</u>: For projects on Washington's Pacific Coast, if ORMA and/or the MSP apply, an ORMA analysis or MSP Effects Evaluation must be included with your consistency certification; this may take considerable time to prepare.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Coastal Zone includes <u>all areas</u> of the following counties: Clallam, Grays Harbor, Island, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Mason, Pacific, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, Thurston, Wahkiakum, and Whatcom.

# Ecology will then:

- Review your Certification of Consistency to make a Federal Consistency decision for the project.
- Publish a public notice (or this may be published by the applicable federal agency).
- Contact you if further information is needed.

Ecology has six months from receipt of the consistency certification package to issue a decision (concurrence, concurrence with conditions, or objection). If Ecology does not act within six months, the activity is presumed to be consistent with the CZM program. If additional time is needed, Ecology may contact you regarding a 'stay' of this date.

Note: Ecology cannot issue a concurrence until all of the applicable permits/authorizations are received.

#### For More Information:

**Federal Agency:** 

□ Corps

Ecology's Federal Consistency Webpage: Coastal zone management federal consistency review

☐ USCG

☐ FERC	□ Other	Federal Agency Point of Contact: LeeAnn Simmons, Andrew Shukhart				
II. Project I	nformation					
Project Na	<b>me:</b> Comprehensive	Routine Maintenance	, Repair, a	and Scientific	Sampling	
Project Loc	cation ( <u>Note</u> : Please atta	ch a project location map an	d site plans v	with this form)		
Address: This application is for approval of			City: Seattle			County: King
maintenance and repair (including replacement)						
activities at twenty-eight (28) Port of Seattle (Port)						
facilities distributed across three zone. Addresses						
are provided in Appendix A (Sheet #2) of the						
attached JARPA submittal and a map outlining the						
three zones is provided in Appendix A (Sheet #3).						
	address, provide other loc					
Land owne	rship (check all that	apply): 🛛 Private 🗀	☐ State	☐ Federal	☐ Tribal	Other:
Waterbody that the project is in or has the potential to affect:						WRIA Number: 8 & 9
Zone 1: Ma	rine – Greater Elliot					
Waterways						
Zone 2: Estuarine – Tidally-Influenced Duwamish Waterway (River Mile [RM] 0.0 to 5.0						
of the Duwamish River)						
Zone 3: Freshwater – Lake Washington Ship Canal and Salmon Bay						

Federal Permit/License Number (if known): NWS-2024-311

Detailed description of the proposed activity, its associated facilities, and effects to coastal resources and uses: The Port is requesting a ten (10) year individual permit from the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act. The Port is seeking approval to allow routine maintenance and repair of existing structures, surfaces, and utilities located on terminal and marina facilities and along the Port's controlled shoreline. The Port proposes to conduct maintenance and repair activities as part of a comprehensive repair and maintenance program (Program). These routine maintenance and repair activities will be conducted at specific locations as needed, with the Program being implemented over a ten-year period. The Program Area is the entirety of the Port's marine and freshwater facilities, and a project area will be the specific terminal, wharf, or other facility type that will undergo the activity at any given time over the course of the Program. The proposed Program is to conduct maintenance and repair of lawfully established structures; no new development, additional structures, or significantly expanded footprints are proposed. Best Management Practices (BMPs) and avoidance and minimization measures will be implemented to reduce, eliminate, or minimize the effects of the proposed action to listed species or their habitat (see Section 8a of the JARPA). The Port's maintenance activities will consist of repair of aging structures (e.g., piles, fenders, docks and associated equipment, marine safety equipment, slope protection, bulkheads, outfalls, etc.) along with utilities, and other routine tasks such as sediment sampling and berth maintenance dredging. The tasks generally consist of repairs to existing serviceable facilities conducted within the existing footprint of the facilities with few to no environmental impacts. The attached drawings illustrate typical structures that are the subject of this multi-site application (JARPA Appendix A). Please see the JARPA form and associated Biological Evaluation and Essential Fish Habitat Assessment for detailed project description information and analysis of effects to coastal resources including species and habitats. Has tribal consultation been initiated? ☐ No Has local government review or consultation been initiated? ⊠ Yes □ No III. Enforceable Policies State Shoreline Management Act (SMA) X Yes ☐ No Is the proposed project within shoreline jurisdiction? (If unknown, check with the local jurisdiction. If no, then skip the remainder of this section.) Does the proposed project require a shoreline permit/authorization? ☐ No (If no, then skip the remainder of this section.) Name of local jurisdiction(s) processing shoreline permit/authorization: City of Seattle Applied for or received permit/authorization: To be determined (TBD) Local jurisdiction permit number(s): TBD Local jurisdiction issuance date(s): TBD ☐ Shoreline permit exemption Ecology permit filing number: TBD ☐ Shoreline Substantial Development Permit (SDP) Ecology date of filing (SDP/CUP/Variance): TBD ☐ Shoreline Conditional Use Permit (CUP) ☐ Shoreline Variance State Clean Air Act (CAA) ☐ Yes  $\boxtimes$  No Did you contact the local air agency to determine whether a CAA permit is required? Does the proposed project require a CAA permit?  $\boxtimes$  No (If unknown, check with the local clean air agency. If no, then skip the remainder of this section.)

Name of local air authority processing CAA permit:								
☐ Applied for air permit - Date submitted:	Notice of Construction (NOC) number:							
(please attach copy of application package)								
Received air permit - Date issued:	Permit number:							
State Water Pollution Control Act (WPCA)								
Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC)								
Does the proposed project require a WQC? $\boxtimes$ Yes $\square$ No								
(If unknown, see Ecology's 401 web page. If no, then skip the remainder of this section.)								
☐ Applied for WQC - Date submitted: Pre-filing	⊠ Ecology □ Trib	e:						
submitted December 14, 2023. Final 401 request to be	☐ U.S. Environment	al Protection A	gency (EPA)					
submitted on or around July 1, 2024.			, , ,					
☐ Received WQC - Date issued:	WQC number:							
Section 402 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Syst	em (NPDES) Permit							
Does the project proposal require an NPDES permit?	☐ Yes ☐ No							
(If unknown, see Ecology's Stormwater Permit web page. If no, then ski	p the remainder of this sect	ion.)						
Applied for NPDES permit:	☐ Ecology ☐ EPA	☐ Ecology ☐ EPA						
☐ General Permit:	Notice of Intent (NO	I) number:						
☐ Construction Stormwater General Permit	Date submitted:	ij Halliber.						
☐ Industrial Stormwater General Permit	Date submitted.							
☐ Other:								
☐ Individual Permit:								
☐ Received NPDES permit coverage	Permit number:							
·	Date issued:							
Ocean Resources Management Act (ORMA)								
Does ORMA apply? ☐ Yes x No								
(If unknown, see ORMA Guidance. If no, then skip the remainder of this								
If ORMA applies, then attach an analysis demonstrating co	nsistency with ORMA's	enforceable p	olicies as suggested in					
the ORMA Guidance.								
☐ Analysis is attached								
Note: This analysis must be attached to the Consistency Certification unless the MSP applies.								
Marine Spatial Plan (MSP) for Washington's Pacific Coast								
Does ORMA apply? (see above) ☐ Yes x No								
(If no, then MSP does not apply; skip the remainder of this section)								
Does MSP apply? (see )								
If MSP applies, has an MSP Effects Evaluation as described in the MSP Guidance been completed?								
MSP Effects Evaluation is attached   Note: If an MSP Effects Evaluation has not been completed, it must be submitted early in the review process in order for the state to concur								
with the proposed action. Failure to do so may result in the issuance of an objection to the project for lack of information. The MSP Effects								
Evaluation may be submitted in lieu of the ORMA analysis.								
IV. Applicant & Agent Information								
Applicant Name: Matthew Szymanowicz								
Organization: Port of Seattle								
Mailing Address: PO Box 1209	City: Seattle	State: WA	Zip: 98111					
Phone #: 206-880-8762	E-Mail: Szymanov	vicz.m@portse	attle.org					
Agent Name:								
Organization:								

	Phone #:	E-Mail:
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## V. Certification Statement:

By digitally signing below, I certify that the proposed activity complies with the enforceable policies of Washington's approved management program and will be conducted in a manner consistent with such program.

**Applicant Signature** 

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Date: June 21, 2024

Matthew P. Szymanowicz
Print Name: Matt Szymanowicz