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March 23, 2021

Wiegardt and Sons, Inc.
Attn: Ken Wiegardt
PO Box 309
Ocean Park, WA 98640

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference No. **201200691,**
Wiegardt Shellfish Katzer Farm, Pacific County, Washington

Dear Ken Wiegardt:

On June 26, 2020, the Department of Ecology received a Certification of Consistency with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP) for the above project.

This determination is for the proposed project to continue to cultivate 165 acres of Pacific Oyster on bottom culture. On bottom oysters are produced through both natural recruitment and hatchery-produced seed. For natural recruitment, the bed will be lightly frosted with clean oyster shell that has been aged for a minimum of 90 days. Frosting will occur when there is oyster larvae present in the water column and mature oysters have been previously removed from the bed. Frosting typically happens in July/August. Frosting with oyster shell will occur every 3 to 5 years. Hatchery-produced seed is planted after the mature oysters have been removed. Oysters are harvested every 2 to 5 years depending on oyster density and growth. Harvest is done by dredging (up to 30 acres per year) and by hand harvest at low tide.

The project site is located on tidelands within Willapa Bay on WA DNR Leases: 20-013270; 20-A009998; and 20-A12807, near Ocean Park, Pacific County, Washington; Section 18, 25, 30, and 31, Township 12N, Range 10W and 11W; WRIA 24, Willapa Watershed.

Pursuant to Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 as amended, Ecology concurs with Wiegardt and Sons Inc. determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's consistency decision, please contact Marco Pinchot at marco.pinchot@ecy.wa.gov.

YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

You have a right to appeal this decision to the Pollution Control Hearing Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this decision. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal you must do all of the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this decision:

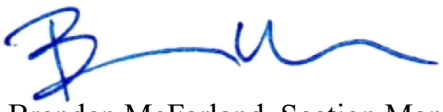
- File your appeal and a copy of this decision with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this decision on Ecology in paper form - by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

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Sincerely,



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