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March 29, 2021

Arcadia Point Seafood  
Attn: Steve & Vicki Wilson  
240 SE Arcadia Point Road  
Shelton, WA 98584

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference No. **201500121**,  
Wilson-LeRoy Intertidal Shellfish Farm, Mason County, Washington

Dear Steve & Vicki Wilson:

On December 16, 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 will continue to commercially cultivate up to 0.5 acres of geoduck clams sited between +3.0 feet (ft) and extreme low water at -4.5ft Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) tidal elevations. In general, there is minimal-to-no site preparation. No rooted aquatic vegetation is removed, no fill or grading occurs, and no chemical controls are used. All access to the farm site is by boat, and no motorized machinery operates on the beach.

Geoduck will be planted (primarily via diving) in 4-inch diameter by 10-inch long PVC tubes with individual mesh caps that have been pushed into the substrate at low tide, with tubes extending 4-6 inches above the substrate. These tubes may be covered with area netting (40ft x 40ft, with no more than 3" stretched mesh) and secured to the substrate with 24-inch hairpinshaped rebar, which are spaced every 5ft around the perimeter. Caps are removed 6-12 months after planting, and tubes and netting are removed 18-24 months after planting.

Geoduck are harvested 5-7 years after planting. Harvest occurs both at low tide (beach harvest) and at high tide (dive harvest). Geoducks are extracted from the sediment using a diesel powered, low pressure, high volume water pump which is mounted on a vessel moored offshore. Water is delivered to the harvester from the pump through a hose ending in a 3'-long, 5/8"-diameter probe that has a valve to control rate of flow. The probe is inserted into the sediment adjacent to the geoduck; as the water softens the geoduck is removed by hand.

The project site is located on tidelands within Totten Inlet, on parcel number 220315000035, adjacent to 481 SE Totten Shores Drive, near Shelton, Mason County, Washington; Section 6, Township 19 North, Range 2 West; WRIA 14, Kennedy-Goldsborough Watershed.

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

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's consistency decision, please contact Teresa Pucylowski at [teressa.pucylowski@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:teressa.pucylowski@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.

### **ADDRESS AND LOCATION INFORMATION**

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<b>Department of Ecology</b> Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503	<b>Department of Ecology</b> Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608
<b>Pollution Control Hearings Board</b> 1111 Israel RD SW, STE 301 Tumwater, WA 98501	<b>Pollution Control Hearings Board</b> PO Box 40903 Olympia, WA 98504-0903

Sincerely,



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Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

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