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April 15, 2021

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

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference No. **200701227,**
Allen Intertidal Shellfish Farm, Mason County, Washington

Dear Steve & Vicki Wilson:

On January 19, 2021, 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 commercially cultivate up to 1.5 acres of geoduck clams sited between +3.0ft 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 hairpin-shaped 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 Case Inlet, on parcel number 121084290180, adjacent to 232 and 340 E Stretch Island Road S, near Grapeview, Mason County, Washington; Section 8, Township 21 North, Range 1 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 Teressa Pucylowski at 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:

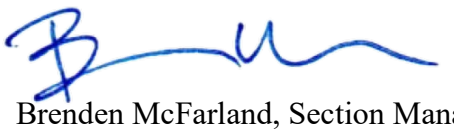
- File your appeal and a copy of this decision with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this decision on Ecology in paper form - by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.

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

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Sincerely,



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