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April 21, 2021

Northwest Shellfish Company, Inc.  
Attn: Linda Schaffel  
6812 Munson Rd SW  
Olympia, WA 98512

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference No. **200701386**,  
Northwest Shellfish Wakefield Lease, Thurston County, Washington

Dear Linda Schaffel:

On January 8, 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 Northwest Shellfish proposal to continue their currently farmed beach with juvenile geoducks that are planted in the substrate by hand between the subtidal property boundary (-4.5 ft.) and +5 ft. MLLW. No site preparation of substrate is used. Four-inch diameter PVC tubes (approximately 10.75 inch length) will be manually placed in the substrate at a depth of about 7 inches and a density of one tube per square foot. About three geoduck "seed," are then placed in each tube and the individual tube is netted for protection from predators. The nets are held in place by a rubber band. After approximately 12-24 months, the tubes and nets are removed. The tubes are then reused during the next rotation. Northwest Shellfish will frequently patrol the site and adjacent beach to help ensure no related materials such as nets, tubes, or rubber bands escape the project site. Harvest will be hydraulically using a high volume, low pressure water hose. Individual geoducks are manually removed from the beach and packed for transportation. Entry to the farm may be from uplands or by boat. Harvest may be during low tide or by divers. Following harvest, the area will be replanted with geoducks for another cycle. No site preparation of substrate is used.

The project site is located on tidelands within Eld Inlet, on parcel number 78000000800, adjacent to 3538 Sunset Beach Dr. NW, near Olympia, Thurston County, Washington. Project Coordinates: 47.096322, -122.957834.

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

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's consistency decision, please contact Loreé Randall at [lore.randall@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:lore.randall@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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