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May 5, 2021

Taylor Shellfish Farms ATTN: Erin Ewald 130 SE Lynch Road Shelton, WA 98584

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference No. 201900451,

Taylor Shellfish Olympia Oyster Lease, Mason and Thurston Counties, Washington

Dear Erin Ewald:

On April 13, 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 commercially cultivate up to 21 acres of oysters between +5.0 foot (ft.) and -4.5 ft. Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) tidal elevation on parcel numbers 319221480040, 319232480060 and 93044700000. Access to tidelands is by boat.

The cultivation of oysters for commercial production are grown in bags, near bottom, and on-bottom as both singles and clusters. Harvest takes place manually by hand during low tide and oysters are placed into tubs for pick up and transfer. Bags are harvested by pulling and emptying oysters onto barges for transfer. Bags are reused and hatchery seed is used. Mechanical dredge harvest may occur and is used for bottom culture cluster and single oyster harvest.

Gravelling is proposed at this site. Gravel is sourced from local providers and is cleaned and washed. Up to 2, 814 cubic yards of gravel may be used throughout the project area. The site will be monitored to maintain 1-inch maximum depth of material across the project area.

The project site is located on tidelands within Oyster Bay, on parcel numbers 319221480040, 319232480060 and 93044700000, near Shelton, Mason and Thurston Counties, Washington; Section 22, 23, 26 and 27, Township 19 North, Range 3 West; WRIA 13, Deschutes Watershed and WRIA 14, Kennedy-Goldsborough Watershed.

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

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's consistency decision, please contact Jennifer Riedmayer at Jennifer.Riedmayer@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

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

Sincerely,

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