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May 7, 2021

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

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference No. **202000959**,  
Taylor Shellfish Morrow Tidelands Lease, Thurston County, Washington

Dear Erin Ewald:

On April 14, 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 6 acres of oysters between +3.0 foot (ft.) and -2.0 ft. Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) on parcel numbers 93039700000, 93039600000, 93039500000. Access to tideland 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. Dredge harvest is also proposed for this location for on bottom oysters. The dredge draws the oysters from the substrate, which are then loaded into tubs on the boat and then conveyed to trucks for processing at Taylor facilities.

Gravelling is proposed for this site. The gravel is sourced from local providers and is cleaned and washed. In any given year this site may use up to 804 cubic yards of gravel throughout the entire project area. Gravel depth will also be monitored to maintain at least 1 inch of material throughout the project area.

The project site is located on tidelands within Eld Inlet, on parcel numbers 93039700000, 93039600000, 93039500000, near Olympia, Thurston County, Washington; Section 12, Township 18 North, Range 3 West; WRIA 13, Deschutes 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](mailto: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**

<b>Street Addresses</b>	<b>Mailing Addresses</b>
<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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