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May 13, 2021

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

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference No. **202100348**,
Taylor Shellfish Willapa Bay Management Area 2 North, Pacific County, Washington

Dear Erin Ewald:

On April 22, 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 1,596 acres of oysters between +2.5 foot (ft.) and -3.0 ft. Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) tidal elevations on parcel numbers 14101355471, 79000000010, 79000000013, 79000000055, 79000000072, 79000000076, 79000000078, 79000000081, 79000000090, 79001000001, 79001000011, 79001000015, 79001000023, 79001000030, 79001000040, 79001000043, 79001000056, 79001000101, 79001000114, 79001000116, 79001000150, 79001000152, 79001000155, 79001000156, 79001000160, 79001000161, 79001000162, 79001000175, 79001000176, 79001000198, 79001000202, 79001000245, 79001000246, 79001000259, 79001000277, 79001000297, 79001000325, 79001000327, 79001000338, and 79001000343. Access to tidelands is by boat.

Oysters are grown on longlines, in bags, or other near-bottom, or on-bottom methods, for both single and clusters. Harvest takes place manually or mechanically, with oysters either mechanically harvested using dredge boats, and then loaded onto barges or scows for transfer, or harvested by hand with oysters placed into tubs for pick up and transfer. Bags or longlines are harvested by pulling and emptying oysters onto barges for transfer. Bags are reused. Hatchery cultured and wild see is used.

Oysters beds located near Bay Center and South Ben may include off (near) bottom aquaculture systems such as oyster longlines, floating or flip bags. These structures include rebar anchoring and maybe include PVC support posts. Rope is then strung and set with spat on shell, or lined with bags and floats. These off-bottom systems are regularly maintained, monitored for wear, and replaced as need to ensure continued function.

The project site is located on tidelands within Willapa Bay, on parcel numbers 14101355471, 79000000010, 79000000013, 79000000055, 79000000072, 79000000076, 79000000078, 79000000081, 79000000090, 79001000001, 79001000011, 79001000015, 79001000023, 79001000030, 79001000040, 79001000043, 79001000056, 79001000101, 79001000114, 79001000116, 79001000150, 79001000152, 79001000155, 79001000156, 79001000160, 79001000161, 79001000162, 79001000175, 79001000176, 79001000198, 79001000202, 79001000245, 79001000246, 79001000259, 79001000277, 79001000297, 79001000325, 79001000327, 79001000338, and 79001000343, near Bay Center, Pacific County, Washington; Township 13 and 14 North, Range 10 West; WRIA 24, Willapa Bay 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

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Sincerely,



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