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August 5, 2021

Westwind Shellfish
Attn: Stephen Hubregsen
3825 Steamboat Loop NW
Olympia, WA 98502

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference No. **201201253**,
Totten Shores Tidelands, Mason County, Washington

Dear Stephen Hubregsen:

On July 21, 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 0.33 acres of geoduck clams between +2ft Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) and -2.5ft MLLW. There is no eelgrass present at the project site. Access to the project site occurs by boat or land. Geoduck are planted during the spring and summer months every 6-7 years.

Geoduck seed are placed in PVC tubes (4"-wide x 9"-long) which are then pushed into the substrate. Geoduck tubes will be placed one per square foot, with 3 geoduck seed placed in each tube. The tubes are then covered with canopy nets which are secured to the beach with rebar stakes. The nets are 55ft x 15ft, with a mesh opening of ½". After 16 months, the nets and tubes are removed. Harvest occurs about every 5 to 5.5 years using low-pressure water pumps with a "stinger/wand" with nozzle pressure to liquefy/loosen the sediment so that the geoducks can be removed by hand. Harvest will occur at low tide, or by divers at high tide.

The project site is located on tidelands within Totten Inlet, on parcel number 220315000005, adjacent to 791 SE Totten Shores Dr., near Shelton, Mason County, Washington; Section 31, Township 20 North, Range 2 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 Westwind Shellfish's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's consistency decision, please contact Teresa 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.

ADDRESS AND LOCATION INFORMATION

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Sincerely,



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