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DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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October 13, 2021

Pacific Shellfish, Nahcotta LLC
Attn: Tim Morris
1200 Robert Bush Drive
South Bend, WA 98586

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference No. **202000832**,
Nemah, Pacific County, Washington

Dear Tim Morris:

On September 28, 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 existing operations on 676.43 acres between +5.0 foot (ft.) and -1.0 ft. Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) tidal elevations. The company is currently growing Pacific Oyster (*Crassostrea gigas*) in one (1) way. Access to tidelands is by boat from nearest public boat launch.

(1) Oysters Natural Catch: Oysters are grown on the ground using standard industry practices. The cleaned oyster shell is placed on an oyster bed by boat at high tide before the spawning season and are harvested at high tide by boat or at low tide into tubs which are pulled at high tide by boat.

Bed Prep: Oysters are harvested or transplanted from the bed using harvest methods outlined below. Onsite inspections by farm management will be performed prior for any bed cleanup prior to planting.

Planting: The oysters shell is placed on an area by boat or scow at high tide prior to spawning season.

Maintenance: Beds are inspected by the farm managers for the substrate conditions that are most often influenced by sediment deposition or burrowing shrimp densities. No maintenance is performed.

Harvest: Oysters are harvested by hand at low tide or using mechanical harvest method (not hydraulic harvester). The crop cycle is 2-3 years depending on site specific conditions. Harvest will occur year-round.

The project site is located on tidelands within Willapa Bay, on parcel numbers 79003001039, 79003000099, 79003000020, 79003000031, 79006000019, 79006000022, 79006000036, 79006000056, 79006000065, 79006000049, 79006000030, 79003000062, 79003000076, 79003000063, 79003000131, 79003000126, and 79003000080, near Ocean Park, Pacific County, Washington; Section 5, 8, 9, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 28, 29, 30 and 31, Township 12 North, Range 10 West; WRIA 24, Willapa Watershed.

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

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's consistency decision, please contact Marco Pinchot at marco.pinchot@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

Filing an appeal with the PCHB:

Mailing Address:

Pollution Control Hearings Board
PO Box 40903
Olympia, WA 98504-0903

Street Address:

Pollution Control Hearings Board
1111 Israel RD SW
STE 301
Tumwater, WA 98504

Serving a copy of the appeal on Ecology:

Mailing Address:

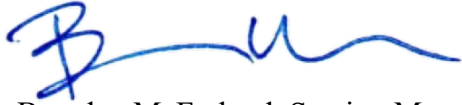
Department of Ecology
Attn: Appeals Processing Desk
PO Box 47608
Olympia, WA 98504-7608

Street Address:

Department of Ecology
Attn: Appeals Processing Desk
300 Desmond Drive SE
Lacey, WA 98503

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Sincerely,



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