

## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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March 31, 2022

Puget Sound Energy ATTN: Kerry Kriner P.O. Box 97034, EST 4W Bellevue, WA 98009

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference #NWS-2020-1040, Sammamish-Juanita 115kV Transmission Line Project, King County, Washington

Dear Kerry Kriner:

On September 10, 2021, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) received a Certification of Consistency with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP) for the above project. On March 9, 2022, Puget Sound Energy and Ecology agreed to stay the CZM until June 30, 2022.

This decision is for construction of a new 115 kV transmission line between the Sammamish Substation that is located in the City of Redmond and the Juanita Substation located in the City of Kirkland. The approximately 5-mile transmission line will be supported by a combination of new and replacement poles that will loop through the Totem Substation in the City of Kirkland. Within the City of Redmond and unincorporated King County, a construction access and maintenance road will be installed by widening 1.6 miles of an existing rail ballast to provide safe access to the transmission line. PSE will replace seven culverts under the existing rail ballast as part of the ballast widening for the access road construction, including replacement of four culverts with fish passable culverts.

The project site is located along a 5-mile stretch, with one end of the project at 9221 Willows Road NE, Sammamish Substation property, in wetlands, Streams R-2, R-3, KC-1, and York Creek, King County, Washington.

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

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's consistency decision please contact Rebekah Padgett at (425) 365-6571.

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## 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 98501
Serving a copy of the appeal on Ecology:	
Mailing Address: Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608	<b>Street Address:</b> Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503

Sincerely,

Jøe Burcar, Section Manager Northwest Regional Office Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

Sent by electronic mail: kerry.kriner@pse.com

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e-cc: Colleen Anderson, US Army Corps of Engineers Kerry Lyste, Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians Kelsey Payne, Snoqualmie Indian Tribe Stewart Reinbold, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Leah Beckett, Grant Yang, Kendra Henderson, Amy Jankowiak, Loree' Randall: Ecology ecyrefedpermits@ecy.wa.gov