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August 25, 2023

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Portland District  
ATTN: Amy Gibbons  
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Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for MCR Cape Disappointment  
Erosion Repairs, Mouth of the Columbia River, Cape Disappointment, Pacific County,  
Washington

Dear Amy Gibbons:

On June 26, 2023, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) submitted a Consistency Determination with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP). On July 14, 2023, Ecology requested a 15-day extension pursuant to 15 CFR Part 930.41(b), extending the CZM decision deadline to September 9, 2023.

The proposed repair is located along the root of Jetty A near Cape Disappointment, WA at the Mouth of the Columbia River (MCR). During December 2022/January 2023, king tides combined with winter storms led to 25 yards of shore edge recession along the root of Jetty A. Continued recession in this area could undermine the root of Jetty A, cause additional landform destabilization, and further shoreline loss, and threaten U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Station Cape Disappointment. The objective for this project is to stabilize the shoreline and prevent further erosion along Jetty A, with ancillary benefits for both the Baker Bay Federal Navigation Channel (FNC) and USCG station. The project will focus on the immediate repairs and stabilization to protect Jetty A and USACE lands and allow USCG to continue operations.

The project will address near-term stabilization to prevent further shoreline loss and mitigate risk to Jetty A by installing 1,000 linear feet by 25 feet wide of shoreline revetment using 6" to 36" rip rap over 0" to 12" bedding rock. The toe of the short-term feature would be constructed at or above 7.5 feet Mean Higher High Water (MHHW). The highest elevation extent of revetment concept would be 15 feet MHHW. The volume of rock material is approximately 2,000 cubic yards (CY) within waters of the United States, and 5,000 CY total.

The work may include and may not be limited to mobilization/demobilization, establishment of access to the area of erosion at Cape Disappointment, establishment of a staging area, excavation as necessary for placement of rock, removal of vegetation, placement of rock at the shoreline, replanting disturbed areas with native species, and incidental related work. The work site is located at the root of Jetty A. The location is not open to the public. Contractor access to the work site will be from Coast Guard Road. The project has been designed such that construction can be completed from shore and upland areas. Construction is expected to take place during the fall/winter of 2023.

Pursuant to Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 as amended, Ecology concurs with the Corps' determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP. The proposed action was reviewed for consistency under the applicable enforceable policies found in the state Shoreline Management Act, the State Water Pollution Control Act, and the Washington Clean Air Act. The proposal did not trigger the enforceable policies of the Ocean Resources Management Act or the Marine Spatial Plan for Washington's Pacific Coast.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's consistency determination, please contact Teresa Pucylowski at (360) 764-0546.

## **Your right to appeal**

You have a right to appeal this decision to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt. 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 notice of appeal and a copy of this decision with the PCHB (see filing information below). "Filing" means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours as defined in WAC 371-08-305 and -335. "Notice of appeal" is defined in WAC 371-08-340.
- Serve a copy of your notice of appeal and this decision on the Department of Ecology mail, in person, or by email (see addresses below).

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

## Filing an appeal

### Filing with the PCHB

For the most current information regarding filing with the PCHB, visit: <https://elaho.wa.gov/> or call: 360-664-9160.

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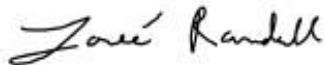
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Sincerely,



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