



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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November 9, 2023

Columbia Land Trust
ATTN: Ian Sinks
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Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Indian Jack Slough Phase III Restoration project (Corps No. NWS-2023-0344), Indian Jack Slough and wetlands, Cathlamet, Wahkiakum County, Washington

Dear Ian Sinks:

On September 21, 2023, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) received a Certification of Consistency with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP) for the above project. Pursuant to Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 as amended, Ecology concurs with Columbia Land Trust's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

This project proposes to improve wetland habitat conditions adjacent to the upper reach of Indian Jack Slough through grading and revegetation activities. The project would excavate a number of depressions and connecting channels, and uses excavation spoils to create low mound areas. These actions will work together to create a more varied vegetation mosaic across the site. A portion of the excavation spoils would also be used to fill the constructed drainage ditch to restore site hydrology.

This project is located near at Indian Jack Slough, in the Grays-Elokoman Watershed (WRIA 25), Cathlamet, Wahkiakum County, Washington

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Casey Vaughn at (564) 669-4201.

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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Sincerely,



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