



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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November 22, 2023

Grays Harbor Conservation District
ATTN: Anthony Waldrop
81 Tower Boulevard
Elma, WA 98541

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for ASRP Satsop River Mile 2.5 to 5.0 (Corps No. NWS-2022-0694), Montesano, Grays Harbor County, Washington

Dear Anthony Waldrop:

On January 10, 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 the Grays Harbor Conservation District's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

On June 8, 2023, the Grays Harbor Conservation District and Ecology agreed to stay the CZM until January 10, 2024 in order for the Grays Harbor Conservation District to meet the requirements of the state's Water Pollution Control Act.

This project proposes to re-establish natural riverine processes and a properly functioning and self-sustaining riverine floodplain ecosystem that would provide critical spawning/breeding, rearing, foraging and refuge habitat for native aquatic species in the lower Satsop River basin. This goal would be accomplished through riparian forest enhancement and restoration and through the strategic placement of engineered log jams (ELJs) to direct river flow into existing side channels and alcoves and onto the floodplain in selected areas. Placement of ELJ structures, in addition to affecting flow conditions, would increase the amount of wood in the system, address channel incision, and improve instream habitat complexity.

The project site is located within Satsop River and wetlands at 54 Gleason Road, in Montesano, Grays Harbor County, Washington, SE ¼ Section, Section 23, Township 18 N., Range 7 W., SW ¼ Section, Section 24, Township 18 N., Range 7 W., NW & SW ¼ Section, Section 25, Township 18

N., Range 7 W., NE & SE ¼ Section, Section 26, 36, Township 18 N., Range 7 W., within Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) 22 – Lower Chehalis.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology’s decision, 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.

Service on Ecology

Street Addresses:

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

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Attn: Appeals Processing Desk
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E-Mail Address:

ecologyappeals@ecy.wa.gov

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Loree' Randall". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Loree' Randall, Section Manager
Aquatic Permitting & Protection Section
Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

Sent via e-mail: awaldrop@graysharborcd.org

E-cc: Brad Johnson, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Torrey Luiting, Natural Systems Design
Lori White, Ecology
Zach Meyer, Ecology
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