

# **DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

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November 30, 2023

Port of Grays Harbor Attn: Gary Nelson PO Box 660 Aberdeen WA 98520

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Port of Grays Harbor Terminals Maintenance Dredge (Corps No. NWS-2017-850), Grays Harbor, Aberdeen, Grays Harbor County, Washington

Dear Gary Nelson:

On October 24, 2023, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) received a Certification of Consistency with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP) for the above project.

This determination is for Port of Grays Harbor maintenance dredging at the marine Terminals 1, 2, 3, and 4. Additionally, the Port proposes dredging for maintenance and repair of the Jet Array System on the western end of Terminal 4. Dredging at Terminal 1 (up to 30,000 cy annually), Terminal 2 and the Terminal 2 advanced maintenance area (up to 80,000 cy annually), Terminal 3 (up to 80,000 CY annually) and Terminal 4 (up to 45,000 cy annually) will have a maximal depth of -43 ft. Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW), authorized depth -41 plus 2 feet over dredge allowance. Terminal dredging will be accomplished with a clamshell dredge, and material will be transported via split hull bottom dump barge to either Point Chehalis or South Jetty. Dredging for maintenance/repair of the Jet Array System will use a land-based crane with bucket, and material will be placed into dump trucks and hauled to an upland City of Hoquiam fill site.

These improvements would be located in Grays Harbor, Port of Grays Harbor Terminals 1, 2, 3, and 4, in Grays Harbor County, Washington.

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

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If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Laura Inouye at (360) 515-8213.

### 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://eluho.wa.gov/ or call: 360-664-9160.

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Sincerely,

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