

# STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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March 28, 2024

City of Sedro-Woolley ATTN: Mark Freiberger 325 Metcalf Street Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Olmstead Park

Development (Corps No. NWS-2022-297), in wetlands, Sedro-Woolley, Skagit County,

Washington

### Dear Mark Freiberger:

On May 22, 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 City of Sedro-Woolley's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

On November 17, 2023, the City of Sedro-Woolley and Ecology agreed to stay the CZM until January 1, 2023, in order for the City of Sedro-Woolley to obtain Section 401 Water Quality Certification to meet the requirements of the state's Water Pollution Control Act. A second stay was agreed to on December 29, 2023, extending the review period until February 15, 2024, in order for the City of Sedro-Woolley to obtain Section 401 Water Quality Certification to meet the requirements of the state's Water Pollution Control Act. On February 7, 2024, a third stay was agreed to, extending the review period until March 29, 2024, in order for the City of Sedro-Woolley to obtain Section 401 Water Quality Certification to meet the requirements of the state's Water Pollution Control Act.

This proposal is to develop portions of Olmstead Park on property that had formerly been part of the Northern State Hospital campus. Elements of this project will include installation of gravel walking trails and maintenance trails, paved parking areas, sidewalks, new picnic shelters, recreational facilities, utilities, and a new stormwater pond. The project will result in fill of 0.12 acres of wetland and indirect impacts to a Category IV wetland. Compensatory mitigation for these wetland impacts will be completed through purchase of 0.28 mitigation credits from the Skagit Environmental Bank. The project site is located southeast of the

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intersection of North Fruitdale Road and Northern State Road, within wetlands, Sedro-Woolley, Skagit County, Washington.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Chris Luerkens at (360)-410-4807 or <a href="mailto:Chris.Luerkens@ecy.wa.gov">Chris.Luerkens@ecy.wa.gov</a>.

# 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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