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May 2, 2024

Quintessential Homes WA Timber Woods LLC ATTN: Adrian Maitland 1340 NE Ward Road Brush Prairie, WA 98606

Re: Administrative Order No. **22625** to permanently fill/impact 0.21 acres of non-federally regulated wetlands, which are waters of the state, to construct Timber Woods Apartment Complex in Clark County, Washington

Dear Adrian Maitland:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) received your Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application (JARPA) on January 25, 2024, requesting authorization for proposed work in non-federally regulated wetlands, which are waters of the state. Ecology has determined that the proposed work, as conditioned by the enclosed Order, will comply with applicable provisions of Chapter 90.48 RCW and other applicable requirements of state law.

This approval is subject to the conditions contained in the enclosed Order. You must familiarize yourself with and abide by the conditions in the Order, including all notification requirements. If you have any questions, please contact Meghan Tait at <u>Meghan.Tait@ecy.wa.gov</u> or 360-210-2783. The enclosed Order may be appealed by following the procedures described in the Order.

Sincerely,

Maria Saula

Maria Sandercock, Region Manager Southwest Region Office Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program Enclosure (1)

By certified mail: 9489 0090 0027 6102 3067 01

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Sent via email to: adrian@qhomeswa.com

e-cc: Ari Sindel, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Andrea Aberle, Ash Eco Solutions Dominic Maiello, City of Battle Ground Meghan Tait, Department of Ecology ECYREFEDPERMITS@ECY.WA.GOV

In The Matter of Issuing an Administrative Order to Quintessential Homes WA Timber Woods LLC (Adrian Maitland) pursuant to RCW 90.48.120 and WAC 173-201A

Quintessential Homes WA Timber Woods LLC

Attn: Adrian Maitland 1340 NE Ward Road Brush Prairie, WA 98606

Order No.	22625	
Corps Reference No.	NWS-2018-1194	
Site Location	Timber Woods Apartment Complex, located within Wetland A, Battle Ground, Clark County, Washington.	

Timber Woods LLC (Adrian Maitland) This is an Administrative Order requiring Quintessential Homes WA to comply with Chapter 90.48 RCW and the rules and regulations of the Department of Ecology (Ecology) by taking certain actions which are described below. RCW 90.48.120(2) authorizes Ecology to issue Administrative Orders requiring compliance whenever it determines that a person has violated or creates a substantial potential to violate any provision of Chapter 90.48 RCW.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) issued a jurisdictional determination on December 14, 2023, concluding that Wetland A is not a water of the U.S. On January 25, 2024, Ecology received a request to impact 0.21 acres of non-federally regulated wetlands, which are waters of the state, to construct Timber Woods Apartment Complex in Clark County. The project is located at 415 SW 20th Ave in Battle Ground, S 3, T 3N, R 2E, Clark County, and WRIA 28 - Salmon Washougal.

This Administrative Order authorizes 0.21 acres of Category 2 wetland impacts at the project location. Mitigation for this proposal will consist of the purchase of 0.483 credits from East Fork Lewis Mitigation Bank and all other actions as proposed in the Wetlands Assessment and Bank Use Plan Update for Timber Woods Project dated January 5, 2024, and updated April 15, 2024.

Timber Woods LLC

For purposes of this Order, the term "Project Proponent" shall mean Quintessential Homes WA (Adrian Maitland) and its agents, assigns, and contractors.

In view of the foregoing and in accordance with RCW 90.48.120(2):

IT IS ORDERED that the Project Proponent shall comply with the following:

General Conditions: Α.

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- 1. The Project Proponent shall construct and operate the project in a manner consistent with the project description contained in the JARPA received by Ecology on January 25, 2024, or as otherwise approved by Ecology.
- For purposes of this Order, all submittals required by its conditions shall be sent to <u>fednotification@ecy.wa.gov</u> and a cc to <u>meghan.tait@ecy.wa.gov</u>. Any submittals shall reference Order No. 22625.
- 3. The Project Proponent shall provide access to the project site upon request by Ecology.
- 4. Copies of this Order shall be kept on the job site and readily available for reference by Ecology personnel, the construction superintendent, construction managers and forepersons, and state and local government inspectors.
- 5. Nothing in this Order waives Ecology's authority to issue additional orders if Ecology determines further actions are necessary to implement the water quality laws of the state. Further, Ecology retains continuing jurisdiction to make modifications hereto through supplemental order, if additional impacts due to project construction or operation are identified (e.g., violations of water quality standards, downstream erosion, etc.), or if additional conditions are necessary to further protect the public interest.
- 6. The Project Proponent shall ensure that all project engineers, contractors, and other workers at the project site with authority to direct work have read and understand relevant conditions of this Order and all permits, approvals, and documents referenced in this Order. The Project Proponent shall provide Ecology a signed statement (see Attachment A for an example) before construction begins.
- 7. To transfer this Order to a new owner or operator the Project Proponent shall:
 - a. Complete a Request for Transfer of Order with a specific transfer date of the Order's obligations, coverage, and liability and submit it to Ecology per condition A.2. Link to form: https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/ECY070695.html;
 - b. Provide a copy of this Order to the new owner or operator; and
 - c. The transfer is not considered valid until the Project Proponent receives written notification from Ecology that the transfer has been approved.
- 8. The Project Proponent is responsible for obtaining all other permits, licenses, and certifications that may be required by federal, state, local or tribal authorities.

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B. Notification Requirements:

- 1. The Project Proponent shall provide written notification to Ecology in accordance with condition A.2 above for the following activities:
 - a. Immediately following a violation of the state water quality standards or when the project is out of compliance with any condition of this Order
 - b. At least seven (7) days prior to conducting work activities in wetlands
 - c. Within seven (7) days of completing work activities in wetlands.

C. Wetland Mitigation Conditions:

- 1. The Project Proponent shall mitigate wetland impacts as described in the Wetlands Assessment and Bank Use Plan Update for Timber Woods Project by Ash Eco Solutions, LLC, and dated January 5, 2024, and updated April 15, 2024, or as required by this Order or revised and approved by Ecology.
- 2. The Project Proponent shall notify and submit in writing to Ecology (see A.2) any proposed changes to the amount of wetland impacts or revisions to the mitigation plan before implementing the changes.
- 3. Prior to impacting wetlands, the Project Proponent shall submit to Ecology documentation from the bank sponsor verifying the purchase of 0.483 mitigation bank credits (credits) from the East Fork Lewis Mitigation Bank. This documentation must include the Ecology Order number, Order issuance date, impact acreage, the amount of credits required by the Order, and date of credit purchase.
- 4. The Project Proponent shall complete the purchase of credits before the impacts to wetlands occur, or Ecology may require additional compensation to account for temporal loss of wetland functions.
- 5. If the Project Proponent has not purchased credits within 13 months of the date of this Order, the Project Proponent shall inform Ecology, in writing, of the status of:
 - a. Timber Woods Apartment Complex
 - b. When bank credits will be purchased

With the:

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- c. Reason for the delay
- d. Expected date of completion

The Project Proponent shall submit an updated written notification every 12 months thereafter until Timber Woods Apartment Complex is complete and the required credits are purchased.

6. Until the Project Proponent has received written notice from Ecology that the Mitigation Plan has been fully implemented, the Project Proponent's obligation under Condition C.1 to mitigate for wetland impacts is not met.

D. Timing

1. This Order is valid until the Project Proponent meets all its requirements and the Project Proponent has received written notification from Ecology to that effect.

Failure to comply with this Order may result in the issuance of civil penalties or other actions, whether administrative or judicial, to enforce the terms of this Order.

Your right to appeal

You have a right to appeal this Order to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt. The appeal process is governed by RCW 43.21B and WAC 371-08. "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 Order:

- File your notice of appeal and a copy of this Order 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 Order on the Department of Ecology by mail, in person, or by email (see addresses below).

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

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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Service on Ecology

Street Addresses:

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

Mailing Addresses:

Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608

E-Mail Address:

ecologyappeals@ecy.wa.gov

Contact information

Please direct all questions about this Order to:

Meghan Tait Department of Ecology Vancouver Field Office 360-210-2783 <u>Meghan.tait@ecy.wa.gov</u>

More information

- Pollution Control Hearings Board Website https://eluho.wa.gov/
- Chapter 43.21B RCW Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office Pollution Control Hearings Board http://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=43.21B
- Chapter 371-08 WAC Practice And Procedure http://app.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=371-08
- Chapter 34.05 RCW Administrative Procedure Act http://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=34.05

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- Chapter 90.48 RCW Water Pollution Control http://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=90.48
- Chapter 173-201A WAC Water Quality Standards for Surface Waters of the State of Washington

http://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-201A

Signature

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2024 at the Department of Ecology, Lacey, Washington

Marin Saula

Maria Sandercock, Region Manager Southwest Region Office Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

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Attachment A

Statement of Understanding Administrative Order Conditions

Timber Woods Apartment Complex

Administrative Order No. 22625

As the Project Proponent for Timber Woods Apartment Complex project, I have read and understand the conditions of Washington State Department of Ecology Order No. 22625, and any permits, plans, documents, and approvals referenced in the Order. I have and will continue to ensure that all project engineers, contractors, and other workers at the project site with authority to direct work have read and understand the conditions of this Order and any permits, plans, documents, and approvals referenced in the Order and any permits, plans, documents, and approvals referenced in the project site with authority to direct work have read and understand the conditions of this Order and any permits, plans, documents, and approvals referenced in the Order.

Signature	Date	
Title	Phone	
Company		