

# **DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

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July 5, 2024

WA Department of Transportation ATTN: Kyler Kokenge 7407 31<sup>st</sup> Ave NE Lacey, WA 98516

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for US 101/Grader & UNT to

Pacific Ocean – Remove Fish Barriers (Site 4) (Corps No. NWS-2023-957-DOT), Grader

Creek, Clallam County, Washington

### Dear Kyler Kokenge:

On April 8, 2024, 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 WA Department of Transportation's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

The proposed work includes replacing an existing concrete box culvert with a 36-foot-long by 35-foot-high fish passable bridge structure. The new structure will require soldier pile walls running parallel with the stream and four structural walls (two upstream and two downstream) running parallel with US 101. Stream work entails creating three riffles within or under the new bridge structure and installing large woody material upstream and downstream of the new bridge. This project will result in impacts to existing wetlands. Permanent wetland impacts are a result of wetland to stream conversions to accommodate the bridge and stream bed restoration creating unimpeded fish passage and better connection between the adjacent shoreline habitat and existing stream. All temporary wetland impacts will be restored through replanting with native species. This activity is located on US 101 at milepost 189.40, Grader Creek, Clallam County Washington.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Penny Kelley at 360-280-8856.

# 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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