



STATE OF WASHINGTON
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July 16, 2024

Skagit River System Cooperative
ATTN: Devin Smith
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Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Similk Estuary Restoration (Corps No. NWS-2023-0761), Similk Bay, Anacortes, Skagit County, Washington

Dear Devin Smith:

On June 5, 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 Skagit River Cooperative's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

The proposed work includes restoring approximately 17 acres of tidal marsh habitat along the northern shoreline of Similk Bay by removing a portion of the roadway and installing a bridge over an excavated tidal channel network. The project will also restore 1430 feet of coastal stream by daylighting and removing culverts and re-meandering the stream in a natural channel and planting riparian areas. This activity is located at Satterlee Road along Similk Bay, Skagit County, Washington.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Casey Vaughn at 564-669-4201.

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.

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Sincerely,



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