



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
**DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

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July 18, 2024

City of Bellingham  
ATTN: Gina Austin  
210 Lottie Street  
Bellingham, WA 98225

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Boulevard Park Shoreline and Public Access Enhancement (**Corps No. NWS-2024-27**), Bellingham Bay, Salish Sea, Bellingham, Whatcom County, Washington

Dear Gina:

On January 29, 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 City of Bellingham's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

The proposed work includes cleaning up the beach and backshore including rubble removal and boulder removal, place beach nourishment, removing derelict piles, reconstructing a revetment, constructing drift sills, planting, and realigning upland infrastructure to accommodate the shoreline improvements. This activity would occur along the shoreline of and in Bellingham Bay, in Bellingham, Whatcom County, Washington.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Austin Schmalz at 425-301-6989.

### 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.

### 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:

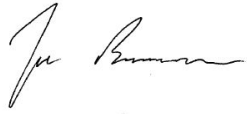
[ecologyappeals@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:ecologyappeals@ecy.wa.gov)

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Burcar". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joe" being more prominent than the last name "Burcar".

Joe Burcar, Section Manager  
Northwest Regional Office  
Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

Sent via e-mail: [gaustin@cob.org](mailto:gaustin@cob.org)

E-cc: Lydia Baldwin, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Austin Schmalz, Ecology  
[fedconsistency@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:fedconsistency@ecy.wa.gov)