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August 5, 2024

The Department of the Navy
Naval Base Kitsap
ATTN: Rebecca Johnson
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Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Tang Road Replacement & Estuary Restoration, Hood Canal, Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor, Kitsap County, Washington

Dear Rebecca Johnson:

On June 17, 2024, the Department of the Navy (Navy) submitted a Consistency Determination with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP). The Department of Ecology (Ecology) issued a 21-day public notice on June 26, 2024. On July 22, 2024, Ecology requested additional information from the Navy and requested a 15-day extension pursuant to 15 CFR Part 930.41(b), extending the CZM decision deadline to August 31, 2024. The Navy supplied additional information on July 23, 2024.

The Navy proposes to repair Tang Road on Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor on Hood Canal, with restoration of a pocket estuary. The purpose and need of the project is as follows:

- Repair Tang Road MSE seawall and repair/replace the existing riprap shore protection under the pier revetments.
- Repair/replace the asphalt and concrete surface of the roadway and reroute utilities.
- Complete removal of the beaver dam impoundment and relieve hydrostatic pressure on the Tang Road embankment.

The Navy also proposes to replace the existing culvert on Tang Road with a fish-passable design. Prior to the demolition of the existing culvert, Tang Road will be closed, and a vibratory pile driver will be mobilized to install temporary sheet piles within the high tide line of Hood Canal. The temporary sheet piles will connect to the mechanically stabilized earth (MSE) wall to enclose the existing culvert outlet.

The existing Hunter's Marsh area would be dewatered via sumps installed and operated during

the site preparation phase. A stream diversion would be installed to convey water from outside of the project boundary through the site via piping. Hunter's Marsh would be excavated and graded to form the tidal lagoon and marsh zones. Proposed marsh zones would be planted with native salt-tolerant vegetation, however, native propagation is also expected to occur as the introduction of tidal flow would naturally deliver seed sources. Habitat features such as large woody debris would be placed by excavators and incorporated into the estuary. Once final grading is completed the stream diversion would be removed to allow water to naturally flow through the site. The Navy would add stream bed substrates and riparian plantings. In the long-term it is not anticipated that the estuary would produce excess sediment leaving the site, as the excavation activities would remove a majority of the accumulated sediments and the modeled shear stresses post-project within the restored pocket estuary would be low.

All proposed activities would take place on Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor, which are considered federal lands excluded from Washington's coastal zone as defined under the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA). Tang Road is located within the Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor Waterfront Restricted Area and the project and Hunter's Marsh are located in the northwestern portion of Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor. The project is located within the southwest corner of Section 07, Township 26 North, Range 01 East, within Water Resource Inventory Area 15 – Kennedy Goldsborough, and centered at approximately 47.754371 N, 122.721575 W. There would be no direct activities occurring in state lands or waters.

Pursuant to Section 307(c)(3) of the CZMA of 1972 as amended, Ecology concurs with Navy's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Teresa Pucylowski at teressa.pucylowski@ecy.wa.gov.

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://eluh0.wa.gov/> or call: 360-664-9160.

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