



**STATE OF WASHINGTON**  
**DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

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October 17, 2024

Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians  
ATTN: Sara Thitipraserth  
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Arlington, WA 98223

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Trafton Floodplain Restoration (Corps No. NWS-2023-0581), Stillaguamish River, Near Arlington, Snohomish County, Washington.

Dear Sara Thitipraserth:

On September 9, 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 the Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians' determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

The proposed work includes improving instream and floodplain habitat on the Tribe's Trafton property (158 acres) and the County's Trafton Trailhead Park (72 acres), along nearly two miles of the North Fork Stillaguamish River in order to advance salmon recovery, enhance Tribal Treaty Rights, and maintain recreational opportunities for the community. Phase I construction will consist of site clearing, invasive species removal, floodplain grading (internal levee prism and berms removed and lowered, side channel excavation with fill balanced onsite) and installation of engineered log jams and floodplain roughness jams. During Phase II, the restoration work will be completed by installing additional engineered log jams in the main channel of the North Fork Stillaguamish, removing the perimeter levee and armoring and breaching the side channel to fully connect the site to the river. Extensive native riparian planting and seeding will occur in between Phase I and II. This activity is located in the Stillaguamish River, near Arlington, Snohomish 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.

### Service on Ecology

#### Street Addresses:

Department of Ecology  
Attn: Appeals Processing Desk  
300 Desmond Drive SE  
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Sincerely,



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