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October 22, 2024

Port of Tacoma Attn: Robert Brenner P.O. Box 1837 Tacoma, WA 98401

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Port of Tacoma TOTE

Maritime Alaska Maintenance Dredge (Corps No. NWS-2024-00040), Blair Waterway,

Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington

Dear Robert Brenner:

On June 11, 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 Port of Tacoma's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

The proposed work includes dredging up to 15,000 cubic yards (cy) of accumulated sediment, of which up to roughly 5,000 cy is over dredge, through maintenance dredging. Maintenance dredging is proposed to the authorized depth of -40 feet mean lower low water (MLLW) to the previously permitted depth to restore the berthing areas at TOTE, plus an incidental 2-foot over-dredge allowance to cover potential over dredging by the contractor to a maximum of -42 feet MLLW. Maintenance dredging will be performed by mechanical dredging equipment. Dredged material will be placed on a barge for transportation to the Commencement Bay openwater dredged material disposal site. This activity will occur in Blair Waterway, Tacoma, Pierce Washington.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Laura Inouye at 360-515-8213.

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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