

# **DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

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November 19, 2024

Noble House Hotels and Resorts ATTN: Jamie Colee 606 6th St. S Kirkland, WA 98033

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Edgewater Hotel Pile

Replacement (Corps No. NWS-2018-0769), Elliott Bay, Seattle, King County, Washington

#### Dear Jamie Colee:

On October 10, 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 Noble House Hotels and Resorts' determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

The proposed work includes maintenance of an existing structure by replacing 540 creosote piles waterward of the OHWM, over a period of 10 years. The proposed project would replace up to fifty-five 12 to 14-inch diameter creosote piles per year, with 12 to 16-inch epoxy coated steel piles. Pilings would be fully extracted (if possible) via vibratory hammer or cut off 2-feet below the mud line with hand tools. Removed wood piles would be trucked off site to an upland facility. Additional work would include replacement of 1,200 linear feet of 12 by 12-foot wood cap and stingers with ACZA treated wood. The purpose of this project is to provide ongoing maintenance to the property, provide safe access to the pier and hotel, and maintain their agreement with WA Department of Natural Resources.

This activity will occur in Elliott Bay, at the Edgewater Hotel, Seattle, King County, 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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