# **DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

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February 27, 2025

Taylor Shellfish Farms ATTN: Erin Ewald 130 SE Lynch Rd Shelton, WA 98584

Re: Amendment to 401 Water Quality Certification Order No. 19919 for U.S. Army Corps of

Engineers Reference No. 200701400, Montecucco Lease, within Eld Inlet, near Olympia,

Thurston County, Washington

Dear Erin Ewald:

Enclosed is an amendment to Water Quality Certification Order No. 19919, issued 4/15/2021, for the above project. All other conditions of Water Quality Certification No. 19919 remain in effect.

The purpose of this amendment is to extend the expiration date of Water Quality Certification Order No. 19919.

If you have any questions, please contact Taylor Belisle at 360-742-8814. The enclosed Amendment may be appealed by following the procedures described in the Amendment.

Sincerely,

Loree' Randall, Section Manager

Aquatic Permitting & Protection Section

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Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

Enclosure (1)

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# In The Matter of Granting a Water Quality Certification with Conditions (WQC) to Taylor Shellfish Farms pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 1341 (FWPCA § 401), RCW 90.48.120, RCW 90.48.260 and Chapter 173-201A WAC

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WQC Order No.	19919, First Amendment
Corps Reference No.	200701400
Site Location	Montecucco Lease project located within Eld Inlet, near Olympia, Thurston County, Washington.

On 4/15/2021 the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) issued a 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) to Taylor Shellfish Farms for the above-referenced project pursuant to the provisions of 33 U.S.C. 1341 (FWPCA § 401).

Ecology received a request from Taylor Shellfish Farms on September 17, 2024, to extend the expiration date of this WQC. On 11/27/2024 the Corps agreed that Ecology can modify the WQC as requested by Taylor Shellfish Farms.

WQC Order No. 19919 dated 4/15/2021 is hereby amended as follows:

I. The paragraph on page 2 which reads:

This Certification is not effective until the U.S. Corps of Engineers (Corps) Seattle District issues an individual Department of the Army (DA) permit for this project. Order No. **19919** will remain valid for the duration of the associated permit. Taylor Shellfish Farms should send a copy of the final DA permit to <a href="mailto:fednotification@ecy.wa.gov">fednotification@ecy.wa.gov</a> within two weeks of receiving it.

Is replaced with:

This Certification is not effective until the U.S. Corps of Engineers (Corps) Seattle District issues an individual Department of the Army (DA) permit for this project. Order No. **19919** will remain valid until December 31, 2036. Taylor Shellfish Farms should send a copy of the final DA permit to <a href="mailto:fednotification@ecy.wa.gov">fednotification@ecy.wa.gov</a> within two weeks of receiving it.

No other conditions or requirements of the above referenced Order are affected by this amendment.

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Ecology retains continuing jurisdiction to make modifications hereto through supplemental order, if it appears necessary to further protect the public interest.

Failure to comply with this amended Order may result in the issuance of civil penalties or other actions whether administrative or judicial, to enforce the terms of this amended Order.

# Your right to appeal

You have a right to appeal this Order 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 Order:

- File your notice of appeal and a copy of this Order 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 Order on the Department of Ecology by 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.

## **Address and Location Information**

## Filing with the PCHB

For the most current information regarding filing with the PCHB, visit: https://eluho.wa.gov/ or call: 360-664-9160.

# **Service on Ecology**

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## **Contact Information**

Please direct all questions about this Order to:

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# **More Information**

- Pollution Control Hearings Board Website https://eluho.wa.gov
- Chapter 43.21B RCW Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office Pollution Control Hearings Board http://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=43.21B

- Chapter 371-08 WAC Practice and Procedure http://app.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=371-08
- Chapter 34.05 RCW Administrative Procedure Act http://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=34.05

# Signature

Dated this 27th day of February 2025 at the Department of Ecology, Lacey, Washington.

Loree' Randall, Section Manager

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