



**STATE OF WASHINGTON
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April 18, 2025

King County
ATTN: Alex Lincoln
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Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Belmondo Levee Repair (Corps No. NWS-2022-784), Cedar River and Wetlands, near Maple Valley, King County, Washington

Dear Alex Lincoln:

On May 21, 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 King County's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

On October 30, 2024, King County and Ecology agreed to stay the CZM until January 21, 2025, in order for King County to obtain a Section 401 Water Quality Certification and shoreline permit exemption. On January 16, 2025, King County and Ecology agreed to stay the CZM until April 25, 2025, in order for King County to obtain the shoreline permit exemption.

The project proposes to repair and replace an existing failing 140-linear foot levee section along the Cedar River and conduct wetland enhancement. The project includes the following elements:

- a) Repair an existing previously constructed engineered log jam (ELJ) by placing rock and wood within the pre damaged footprint of the previously constructed ELJ.
- b) Repair an existing rock levee by constructing a new ELJ within the footprint of the previous rock levee face. This ELJ would be adjacent to the existing ELJ. All work would be within the previous rock levee footprint.
- c) Repair a section of the damaged levee with a new rock face and wood. All work would be within the previous rock levee footprint.

- d) Placement of two anchored large wood pieces along the levee face for habitat enhancement.
- e) Repair of an existing rock barb with anchor wood.
- f) Floodplain enhancement including 625 square feet of excavation within a wetland (a remanent side channel of the Cedar River), native plantings and placement of unanchored large wood. No fill would be placed within the wetland.
- g) In total there would be 545 cubic yards of rock placed below the ordinary high water mark (OHWM). Up to 100 cubic yards of material in bulk bags would be needed to temporarily isolate the area during construction.

This activity would occur at River Mile 10.4 on the Cedar River, near Maple Valley, King County, Washington.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Austin Schmalz at 425-301-6989.

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 RCW 43.21B and WAC 371-08. "Date of receipt" is defined in Chapter 43.21B.001(2) RCW.

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 Chapter 371-08-305 WAC and -335. "Notice of appeal" is defined in Chapter 371-08-340 WAC.
- Serve a copy of your notice of appeal and this decision 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 371-08 WAC.

Address and Location Information

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

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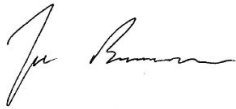
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Sincerely,



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