

STATE OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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June 11, 2025

Chelsea Farms Attn: Shina Wysocki 6438 Young Road Olympia, Washington 98502

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Chelsea Farms Riggs Farm

(Corps No. NWS-2025-136), Case Inlet, Shelton, Mason County, Washington

Dear Shina:

On March 18, 2025, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) received a Certification of Consistency with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP) for the above project. Ecology issued a 21-day public notice on April 7, 2025. Pursuant to Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 as amended, Ecology concurs with Chelsea Farm's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

The proposed work includes planting geoduck seed within 4" diameter PVC tubes which will be placed in the substrate. These will be located on the private tidelands in a range from +0' MLLW (Mean Lower Low Water) to -4.5 MLLW. Tubes will be covered with mesh caps and protrude approximately 3-4" above the substrate. Planting will occur from spring until fall. Mesh caps will be removed from the PVC tubes 12 to 18 months after planting. All tubes will be removed from the beach 24 months after planting and stored in an upland facility for future plantings. Harvesting will begin 5 to 7 years after planting and last for approximately 6 months. After harvesting, the beach will be prepared for re-planting.

This activity is located at 690 E. Colonel Wright Road, in Case Inlet, Shelton, Mason County, Washington, Section 25, Township 21 N., Range 2 W., within Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) 14 Kennedy Goldsborough.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Lydia Albright at <u>Lydia.Albright@ecy.wa.gov</u> or 360-870-2983.

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 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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Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503

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Sincerely,

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Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

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