

DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

Northwest Region Office

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July 23, 2025

1000 C LLC ATTN: David Ebenal P.O. Box 31548

Bellingham, WA 98228

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for the 1000 C Float

Replacement (Corps No. NWS-2023-965), Whatcom Waterway, Bellingham, Whatcom

County, Washington

Dear David Ebenal:

On February 13, 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 February 24, 2025. Pursuant to Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 as amended, Ecology concurs with 1000 C LLC's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

The project includes installing a grated gangway and float structure with six steel guide piles in Whatcom Waterway adjacent to the 1000 C Street parcel. A vibratory pile driver will be used with limited impact driving if needed to proof the piles. The gangway and float structure will replace a solid timber float structure that was removed from the same location prior to the 2015 to 2016 remedial sediment cleanup in the waterway. The project will result in less overwater cover and fewer piles compared to the previous float that was removed. The float and gangway will include aluminum components and will be grated with an aluminum surface capable of approximately 62% light penetration to the underlying aquatic habitat.

This would occur in Whatcom Waterway, Bellingham, Whatcom County, Washington.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Austin Schmalz at <u>Austin.Schmalz@ecy.wa.gov</u>.

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.

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Sincerely,

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Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

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