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July 24, 2025

Ash Grove Cement Company ATTN: Mike Begley 3801 East Marginal Way South Seattle, WA 98134

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for Ash Grove Cement

Company Maintenance Dredge and Shoreline Material Recovery, (Corps No. NWS-2024-

303), Duwamish River, Seattle, King County, Washington

Dear Mike Begley:

On February 11, 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 Ash Grove Cement Company's determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

The proposed work includes maintenance dredging and shoreline material removal at its facility located on the Lower Duwamish Waterway. Maintenance dredging will occur in two areas: the berth area and along the slope, landward of the conveyor.

Maintenance dredging at the berth area will include removing up to 700 cubic yards (cy) of sediment and accumulated aggregate material within an approximately 3,500-square-foot area. Maintenance dredging is proposed to a depth of -24 MLLW, with an additional 0.5 foot of overdredge allowance, to a total of -24.5 feet. This will retain a minimum 1-foot layer of clean aggregate material at the berth where maintenance dredging has previously occurred.

Maintenance dredging along the slope area will include removing up to 300 cy of accumulated aggregate material within an approximately 3,000-square-foot area. Removal of aggregate material will occur at an approximately 3:1 slope and will retain a layer of exposed aggregate material or underlying concrete debris. Excavation will not occur to native soils. Although it is not anticipated, if native soils are exposed along the slope area after dredging, an

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approximately 1-foot layer of clean sand and gravel will be placed over the exposed area (for a total of up to 5 cy). AGC also proposes to recover clean sand and gravel material along the LDW shoreline. The proposed material recovery will remove up to 150 cy over a 700-square-foot area. This activity would occur in the lower Duwamish Waterway, 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 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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