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October 30, 2025

Taylor Shellfish Farms  
ATTN: Erin Ewald  
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Shelton, WA 98584

Re: Amendment to 401 Water Quality Certification Order No. 20041 for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Reference No. NWS-2008-0524, Kimbel Tidelands Lease, Totten Inlet, near Shelton, Mason County, Washington

Dear Erin Ewald:

Enclosed is an amendment to Water Quality Certification Order No. 20041, issued on May 11, 2021, for the above project. All other conditions of Water Quality Certification No. 20041 remain in effect.

The purpose of this amendment is to extend the expiration date of Water Quality Certification Order No. 20041.

If you have any questions, please contact Mai Aoki at 564-669-1663. The enclosed Amendment may be appealed by following the procedures described in the Amendment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Loree' Randall".

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Loree' Randall, Section Manager  
Aquatic Permitting & Protection Section  
Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

Enclosure (1)

By certified mail: 91 7199 9991 7037 9120 0344

First Amendment to Order No. 20041  
Aquatics No. 139487, Corps No. NWS-2008-0524  
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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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| <b>WQC Order No.</b>       | 20041, First Amendment                                                                              |
| <b>Corps Reference No.</b> | NWS-2008-0524                                                                                       |
| <b>Site Location</b>       | Kimbel Tidelands Lease project located within Totten Inlet, near Shelton, Mason County, Washington. |

On May 11, 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 February 26, 2025, the Corps agreed that Ecology can modify the WQC as requested by Taylor Shellfish Farms.

WQC Order No. 20041 dated May 11, 2021, is hereby amended as follows:

I. The paragraph on page three 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. **20041** will remain valid for the duration of the associated permit. Taylor Shellfish Farms should send a copy of the final DA permit to [fednotification@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:fednotification@ecy.wa.gov) 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. **20041** will remain valid until December 31, 2036. Taylor Shellfish Farms should send a copy of the final DA permit to [fednotification@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:fednotification@ecy.wa.gov) within two weeks of receiving it.

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

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 Chapters 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://eluhho.wa.gov/> or call: 360-664-9160.

### **Service on Ecology**

#### **Street Address:**

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## Contact Information

Please direct all questions about this Order to:

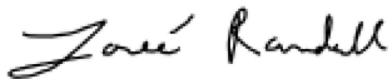
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## More Information

- **Pollution Control Hearings Board Website**  
<https://elaho.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 30th day of October 2025 at the Department of Ecology, Lacey, Washington.



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