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May 11, 2020

Sound Transit Attn: Ellie Ziegler 401 S Jackson St Seattle, WA 98104-2826

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference #NWS-2018-173

Downtown Redmond Link Extension project in King County, Washington

## Dear Ellie Ziegler:

On October 11, 2018, Sound Transit submitted a Certification of Consistency with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP). On April 3, 2019, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) and Sound Transit agreed to stay the CZM decision until April 8, 2020 and on April 1, 2020, Ecology and Sound Transit agreed to stay the CZM decision until April 8, 2021 to allow Sound Transit to obtain a shoreline permit from the City of Redmond. On April 27, 2020 Sound Transit sent copy of the Substantial Development Shoreline permit to Ecology showing compliance with the last remaining enforceable policy.

This determination is for the construction of a 3.4 mile extension that will connect the Redmond Technology Center at NE 40<sup>th</sup> Street to downtown Redmond with two new stations (SE Redmond Station and Downtown Redmond Station). The system will be at grade except for two locations. The alignment will transition to an elevated guideway on a new bridge crossing the SR 520 West Lake Sammamish Parkway NE interchange/Sammamish River and again, when it crosses Bear Creek. The alignment will stay elevated from the Bear Creek crossing to downtown Redmond. At the Sammamish River, the new bridge carrying the guideway will completely span the channel but does require work below the Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM) in the river to install a new stormwater outfall pipe. At Bear Creek, additional construction elements occurring above and below OHWM include removing an existing derelict, creosote-treated timber railroad bridge, removing the railroad fill prism, and removing two culverts within the fill prism. The project starts at Redmond Technology Center at NE 40<sup>th</sup> Street and runs parallel to the east side of SR 520 as it travels north to SR 520/West Lake Sammamish parkway NE Interchange, across the northern extent of Marymoor Park, then follows East Lake Sammamish Trail/Redmond Central Connector Trail rights-of-way to downtown Redmond, in King County, Washington.

Pursuant to Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 as amended, Ecology concurs with Sound Transit determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

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If you have any questions regarding Ecology's consistency determination please contact Penny Kelley at 360-280-8856 or penny.kelley@ecy.wa.gov.

## YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

You have a right to appeal this decision to the Pollution Control Hearing Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this decision. 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 appeal and a copy of this decision with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this decision on Ecology in paper form by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

## ADDRESS AND LOCATION INFORMATION

Street Addresses	Mailing Addresses
Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503	Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608
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Sincerely,

Brenden McFarland, Section Manager

Environmental Review and Transportation Section

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