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March 11, 2021

Olsen & Son Oyster Co.
Attn: Phillip & Norman Olsen
P.O. Box 905
South Bend, WA 98586

RE: Coastal Zone Consistency for Corps Reference No. **201000317**,
Olsen & Son Ongoing Aquaculture 1, Pacific County, Washington

Dear Phillip & Norman Olsen:

On December 22, 2020, the Department of Ecology received a Certification of Consistency with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP) for the above project.

This determination is for the project to continue to commercially cultivate up to 26 acres of Pacific oysters at 0.0 feet Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) tidal elevation. The proposed project is located 840 feet waterward from the approximate Mean High Water (MHW) shoreline and extends a maximum of 2,250 feet waterward of the approximate MHW shoreline. All access to the site will be by boat. Patches of native eelgrass are found throughout the project site.

Oysters will be grown on-bottom using no additional materials for grow-out. Oysters will be hand-planted either directly onto the substrate as single-seed oysters or scattered from a boat deck at high tide as cultch. Harvest will either take place by hand at low tide or by mechanical dredge harvest at high tide. The dredge method involves skimming the substrate on which the oysters rest with dredge baskets attached to dredge arms on the vessel at slow speeds. Annual dredge acres will not exceed 9 acres. The harvest cycle is approximately 3 years.

This project site will also be used for storing oyster seed. Seed racks will be located in the southwest corner of the project site and within a 0.5-acre area. Seed racks comprised of stacked seed bags (5' tall x 5' wide x 70' long) run in 10 linear rows. Spacing between the rows varies from 8-ft to 16-ft.

The project site is located on tidelands within Willapa Bay, on parcel numbers 79001003092, 79001000088, and 79001003087, near Bay Center, Pacific County, Washington; Township 14 North, Range 10 West; WRIA 24, Willapa Watershed.

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

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's consistency decision, please contact Teresa Pucylowski at teressa.pucylowski@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
Pollution Control Hearings Board 1111 Israel RD SW STE 301 Tumwater, WA 98501	Pollution Control Hearings Board PO Box 40903 Olympia, WA 98504-0903

Sincerely,



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