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Greetings,

If you are interested in habitat restoration in Western Port Angeles Harbor, there is an upcoming comment period for the Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan (DARP) and two Consent Decrees (CDs) AND an opportunity to participate in an online public meeting.

Public Comment Period: **March 26 to April 25, 2021**

Online Public Meeting: **April 7, 2021, meeting starts at 6:30 pm; join starting at 6:15 pm for technical assistance**

The Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) Trustees have reached a milestone in planning habitat restoration for Western Port Angeles Harbor. NRDA Trustees are the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe, US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), US Fish and Wildlife Service, and Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology).

Public Comment Period March 26 to April 25, 2021.

Three documents for your review and comment:

- [Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan \(DARP\)](#).
- [Consent Decree \(2-1\)](#) (legal settlement) between NRDA Trustees and potentially responsible parties: Port of Port Angeles, Georgia-Pacific LLC, Nippon Paper Industries USA Co., Ltd., Merrill & Ring Inc., and Owens Corning.
- [Consent Decree \(2-2\)](#) between NRDA Trustees and the City of Port Angeles.

Links to these documents are also available at [Ecology's Port Angeles Harbor NRDA webpage](#). NOAA's webpage also has information about the [Western Port Angeles Harbor NRDA project](#).

Submit your comment on the DARP to Ecology using [Ecology's online comment form](#) or by email to Connie Groven at Connie.Groven@ecy.wa.gov.

Submit your comment on one or both of the CDs to the US Department of Justice.

Comments on the CDs should be refer to *United States, et al. v. Nippon Paper Industries USA Co. Ltd.*, D.J. Ref. No. 90-11-3-10973. All comments must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the publication date of the notice in the Federal Register. Comments may be

submitted either by e-mail or by mail.

- Submit comments by email to pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov .
- Or submit comments by mail to
Assistant Attorney General
U.S. DOJ – ENRD
P.O. Box 7611
Washington, D.C., 20044-7611.

During the comment period, the CDs may also be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: <https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>.

Online Public Meeting April 7, 2021, 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm, longer if needed.

The NRDA Trustees will host an online public meeting to review the DARP and CDs and answer your questions. The meeting is informational and no comments will be accepted at the meeting.

6:15 – 6:30 p.m. – You will be able to join the meeting early so there is time to fix technical issues before the meeting starts.

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Presentation by the NRDA Trustees, with time for questions and answers.

The meeting platform is “GoToWebinar”.

Click here to join the meeting

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8316440284408507404>

Or you can call in:

1+ 213-929-4212

Access Code:591-322-200

For questions about the comment period: please contact Connie Groven (Ecology), Connie.Groven@ecy.wa.gov or 360-407-6254.

For questions about the online public meeting: please contact Paul Cereghino (NOAA), paul.r.cereghino@noaa.gov or 206-948-6360.

Kind regards,

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