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Hi Eric,

Please find attached Ecology's initial comments on the Step 2 Sediments (Marine) Work Plan. These comments are being sent via email only, so please reply that you have received this email and are able to open the attachment.

As mentioned in the attached comments memo, Ecology received requested maps on February 23, 2024 and we anticipate providing additional feedback based on these maps. In addition, there could be comments or feedback from our team regarding other elements of this work plan. We will strive to get any additional feedback to you as soon as possible.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the attached comments.

We recognize that it is a disappointment that Ecology has rejected the use of selected Step 1 sediments data for mapping (SMA delineation) purposes (see General Comment #1 in the attached). We recognize that your team does not agree with this conclusion, but Ecology's sediments team believes that this decision is technically sound and necessary. Therefore, I suggest that we move forward on this point without further discussion, since this has already been discussed numerous times.

Another consequential comment (General Comment #2) pertains to the selection of core samples for analysis, based on other depths. We recognize that the number of samples submitted for laboratory analysis has significant cost consequences. However, it is important that any assumptions of contamination based on data collected at various depths be conservative, and we can't make assumptions of intermediate samples being uncontaminated outside of the Knoll area, where a strong contamination depth trend has been noted.

Ecology anticipates having an Ecology representative onsite during the Step 2 sampling work. As previously discussed, this will be especially important during the selection of samples for sieving analysis. We are all hopeful that a correlation can be made between sieved wood waste percentage and visual observations such that the amount of sample sieving can be reduced. We also hope to work closely with your team during the decision process for selecting samples for laboratory analysis and anticipate that there may be potential for efficiencies to be made during that process.

We appreciate Jeld Wen's team's efforts in preparing the Step 2 work plans, and addressing Ecology's comments.

Thanks, Frank

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