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August 15, 2024

Betsy Wareham
West Sound Marina, Inc.
PO Box 119
Orcas, WA 98280
(betsy@westsoundmarina.com)

Re: Application Rejection – Voluntary Cleanup Program

Site name: West Sound Marina
Site address: 525 Deer Harbor Road, Orcas, WA 98280
Facility/Site ID: 12312587
Cleanup Site ID: 15333

Dear Betsy Wareham:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) received your Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) application for the West Sound Marina facility (Site). We appreciate your initiative and interest in the Standard VCP process but have decided not to accept your application.

Reason and Next Steps

We did not accept your application because the Site has site-specific conditions that are not appropriate to manage under the VCP. When making this determination, we considered the following five factors of whether:

1. The Site poses a significant or immediate threat to human health or the environment.
2. The Site includes co-mingled contaminants from multiple releases, including the potential for migration from off the property.
3. A release at the Site is known or suspected to have contaminated surface water or sediment.
4. A release at the Site is known or suspected to have contaminated multiple parcels of real property.
5. There is, or is likely to be, significant public interest in the Site cleanup.

The conditions specific to this Site include:

- A release at the Site is known to have contaminated surface water or sediment.

Based on information in the *West Sound Marina Remedial Investigation Report*, dated August 1, 2024, and prepared by Coho Environmental LLC, sediment sampling investigations have indicated that concentrations of tributyltin (TBT) and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) exceed applicable cleanup levels in sediment in the vicinity of the on-site pier and fuel dock. After review with our sediment specialists, we determined that this is a complex sediment site and is not appropriate to manage under the VCP.

You are welcome to proceed with independent remedial actions at the Site. Alternatively, we encourage you to contact our Section Manager, Kimberly Wooten, at 425-324-1658 or kim.wooten@ecy.wa.gov to initiate discussions about entering into an agreed order or consent decree with Ecology.

Contact Information

We are committed to working with you to reach the prompt and effective cleanup of your Site. If you have any questions, please contact me at 425-301-6080 or donna.kirkman@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



Donna Kirkman
Acting VCP Unit Supervisor
Toxics Cleanup Program, NWRO

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Ecology Site file