

**Addendum No. 1 to the Fact Sheet for  
NPDES Permit WA0031062  
Modification date: August 20, 2020**

**1. General Information**

Facility: Fishing Vessel Owners Marine Ways, Inc.  
1511 W Thurman, Seattle, WA 98119

**2. Permit Limits and Conditions**

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is proposing to modify conditions in the NPDES Permit WA0031062. This first addendum to the fact sheet explains the basis for changes to NPDES Waste Discharge Permit No. WA0031062, which was issued to Fishing Vessel Owners Marine Ways, Inc. on June 17, 2019. The changes to the permit include changes to the required monitoring locations and frequency.

Permit Condition S.2 requires Fishing Vessel Owners to monitor quarterly a suite of pollutants at their two marine ways, two stormwater locations, and total volume of process water hauled off for treatment, in order to characterize their effluent. Fishing Vessel Owners has complied with this condition. For the reporting period of January 2015 through April 2020, Fishing Vessel Owners has consistently reported non-detects for oil and grease results, no visible oil sheen, and less than a one NTU change in turbidity due to railway launches.

Ecology proposes to change the monitoring protocol for marine way launches from quarterly quantitative to visual for all launches, and eliminate one redundant stormwater monitoring location. This modified method of monitoring is adequate to continue characterization of Fishing Vessel Owners' effluent.

Fishing Vessel Owners currently monitors quarterly the launch of each marine way by taking a prelaunch turbidity sample (background), a second turbidity sample during launch, an oil and grease sample during launch, and a visual observation of oil sheen during launch. In addition, Fishing Vessel Owners documents the condition of the surface of each marine way prior to every launch.

Fishing Vessel Owners currently monitors their stormwater runoff prior to infiltration at two locations. Due to the difficulty in collecting samples, redundancy and the non-representative location of one sample location, Ecology proposes to eliminate monitoring requirements for one location (DP2).

**3. Public Process**

Ecology must notify the public about the availability of the permit modification at least 30 days before it issues the modified permit [Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-220-050]. Ecology invites you to review and comment on its decision to modify the permit (see **Appendix A-Public Involvement Information** for more detail on the Public Notice procedures).

After the public comment period has closed, Ecology will prepare a *Response to Comments* document and attach it to this fact sheet addendum. Ecology will respond to each comment and describe the resultant changes to the permit in this document. Ecology sends a copy of the *Response to Comments* to all parties that submitted comments.

#### **4. Permit Appeal Process**

**Appendix B** describes the permit appeal process.

### **Appendix A--Public Involvement Information**

Ecology proposes to modify a permit to Fishing Vessel Owners Marine Ways, Inc. The permit includes wastewater discharge limits and other conditions. This addendum to the fact sheet describes the modifications and Ecology's reasons for modifying the permit conditions.

Ecology placed a Public Notice of Draft on June 17, 2020 in the Seattle Times to inform the public and to invite comment on the proposed draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit modification and the addendum to the fact sheet.

The notice:

- Told where copies of the draft permit modification and addendum to the fact sheet are available for public evaluation (a local public library, the closest regional or field office, posted on our website).
- Offered to provide the documents in an alternate format to accommodate special needs.
- Urged people to submit their comments, in writing, before the end of the comment period.
- Told how to request a public hearing about the proposed NPDES permit.
- Explained the next step(s) in the permitting process.

Ecology has published a document entitled *Frequently Asked Questions about Effective Public Commenting*, which is available on our website at

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/publications/SummaryPages/0307023.html>

You may obtain further information from Ecology by telephone, 425-649-7201 or by writing to the address listed below.

Water Quality Permit Coordinator  
Department of Ecology  
Northwest Regional Office  
3190 160th Avenue SE  
Bellevue, WA 98008-5452

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## Appendix B --Your Right to Appeal

You have a right to appeal this permit to the Pollution Control Hearing Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of the final permit. 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) (see glossary).

To appeal you must do the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this permit:

- File your appeal and a copy of this permit 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 permit 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
<b>Department of Ecology</b> Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503	<b>Department of Ecology</b> Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608
<b>Pollution Control Hearings Board</b> 1111 Israel RD SW STE 301 Tumwater, WA 98501	<b>Pollution Control Hearings Board</b> PO Box 40903 Olympia, WA 98504-0903

## Appendix C—Response to Comments

Ecology received one comment from Doug Lyons of Poulsbo, WA.

**Comment:** I would hope that you would extend the most possible latitude in the execution of this permit to Fishing Vessel Owners Marine Ways in this time of stress during the Corona Virus pandemic.

**Response:** Thank you for taking the time to review the draft modification and for commenting.