

**DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE AND ADOPTION OF EXISTING  
ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT**

**Description of current proposal:** Management of the aquatic noxious weed *Zostera japonica* with the herbicide imazamox in Willapa Bay in Pacific County.

**Proponent:** Kathleen Nisbet Moncy of Nisbet Oyster Co. and Goose Point Oysters.

**Location of current proposal:** Willapa Bay in Pacific County, commercial clam beds on parcels number: 79000000059 and 79001000166.

**Title of document being adopted:** Final Environmental Impact Statement:  
Management of *Zostera japonica* on Commercial Clam Beds in Willapa Bay, Washington.

**Agency that prepared documents being adopted:** Department of Ecology.

**Date adopted document was prepared:** March 26, 2014.

**Description of document (or portion) being adopted:** Final Environmental Impact Statement for the management of *Zostera japonica* using the herbicide imazamox on commercial clam beds in Willapa Bay, WA.

**If the document being adopted has been challenged (WAC 197-11-630), please describe:**  
The document has not been challenged.

**The document is available to be read at (place/time):** Documents are available online at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/pesticides/eelgrass.html> or may be viewed at Ecology offices between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

**EIS REQUIRED.** The lead agency has determined this proposal is likely to have a significant adverse impact on the environment. To meet the requirements of RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c), the lead agency is adopting the document described above. Under WAC 197-11-360, there will be no scoping process for this EIS. We have identified and adopted this document as being appropriate for this proposal after independent review. The document meets our environmental review needs for the current proposal and will accompany the proposal to the decision maker.

**Name of agency adopting document:** Department of Ecology

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**Date:** March 23, 2018