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February 19, 2025

Ben Mitchell,  
1635 Down River Drive  
Woodland, WA 98674

Re: Industrial State Waste Discharge Permit to POTW No. ST0006222, Inspection Report

Dear Ben Mitchell:

Thank you for facilitating an inspection and a site visit on January 29, 2025. Please find a copy of the inspection report and photo log for your reference and records.

If you have any questions regarding this inspection report, please contact me by email at [sepideh.sadeghi@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:sepideh.sadeghi@ecy.wa.gov) or by phone at (564) 669-9819. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sepideh Sadeghi, PhD., PE.  
Civil & Environmental Engineer, Permit Manager  
Industrial Operations Unit  
Southwest Region Office  
Water Quality Program

Enclosure: Water Quality Inspection Report

cc: John Diamant, Department of Ecology  
Jonathan Drygas, Department of Ecology

# Permit Compliance Inspection Report

## Water Quality Program

Southwest Region Office

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### A. General Information

Facility Name and Address: Pacific Seafood - Woodland  
1635 Down River Drive, Woodland, WA 98674

GPS Facility Latitude/Longitude: 45.916944 N/ 122.754722 W

GPS Outfall Latitude/Longitude: 45.917108 N/ 122.754689 W

Permit Number: ST6222

Permit Type: Industrial State Waste Discharge Permit to POTW/Private (Individual)

Permit Effective Dates: February 1, 2023 – January 31, 2028

Inspection Date and Time: 1/29/2025, 9:30 am to 10:30 am

Discharge to: City of Woodland Sewage system

Type of Inspection: Choose an item. Announced  
Choose an item. Non-sampling

Weather: Sunny

Photographs Taken: ☒ Yes ☐ No      Samples Taken: ☐ Yes ☒ No

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### B. Personnel Information

Ecology Representative(s): Sepideh Sadeghi, PhD., PE. (Lead Inspector)  
John Diamant, PE, General Permits Unit Supervisor (Co-inspector)  
Jonathan Drygas, Enforcement Officer (Co-inspector)

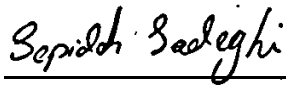
Facility Representative(s): 1- Ben Mitchell, Environmental Compliance Coordinator  
Address: 1635 Down River Drive, Woodland, WA 98674  
Email: [bmitchell@pacificseafood.com](mailto:bmitchell@pacificseafood.com) Phone: (503) 905-4264

2- Lee Lopez, Supervisor  
Address: 1635 Down River Drive, Woodland, WA 98674  
Email: [llopez@pacificseafood.com](mailto:llopez@pacificseafood.com) Phone: (360) 225-8553

3- Andrew Logan Jaspers, Maintenance Manager  
Address: 1635 Down River Drive, Woodland, WA 98674  
Email: [ajaspers@pacificseafood.com](mailto:ajaspers@pacificseafood.com) Phone: (360) 751-3150

Responsible Party/Official: John King, General manager  
Address: 1635 Down River Drive, Woodland, WA 98674  
Email: [jking@pacificseafood.com](mailto:jking@pacificseafood.com) Phone: (360) 225-8553

Inspector Signature(s)




2/10/2025

Sepideh Sadeghi, PhD, PE

Date

Permit Manager

Reviewer Signature



2/11/2025

John Diamant

Date

Industrial Operations Unit Supervisor

### C. Facility Description and Background

Pacific Seafood - Woodland processes and packages frozen fish and shrimp/crab. The facility discharges its wastewater effluent to the city of Woodland sanitary sewer system. Wastewater is collected in two 14,800-gallon storage/surge tanks and then pumped to the sewer through a hydrosieve at a slower rate. The hydrosieve was installed in 2016. The entire wastewater collection, treatment, and discharge system is computer operated. The wastewater samples are collected from a sump, in front of the storage/surge tanks. The sample collection equipment was installed there by the City of Woodland. The city operates the sampler, sends samples to the lab, and shares results with Pacific Seafood. The city calibrates monitoring instruments and retains the calibration records. Pacific Seafood is not processing fresh product anymore. There is no cooking or gutting at the facility.

### D. Inspection Narrative and Observations

#### 1. Permit Documentation and Records Review

Sepideh Sadeghi notified Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Lopez of the requirement of submitting the whole laboratory reports including QA/QC with monthly direct monitoring reports (DMRs).

#### 2. Site Walkthrough

The site inspection began at 9:30 a.m. Department of Ecology's (Ecology) Sepideh Sadeghi, John Diamant, and Jonathan Drygas met Mr. Mitchell, Lopez, and Jaspers at the facility conference room.

Mr. Mitchell and Lopez led us to the operation and processing rooms. They showed us the whole facility including seafood processing rooms, wastewater collection, treatment, and discharge system. We took every step with complying with health & safety rules. We used boots spray, hair net, and washed our hands before and after entering to any operation room. The floor was clean, and the facility was well organized. There are drain ways navigating the wastewater to the outside sump.

### E. Areas of Concern

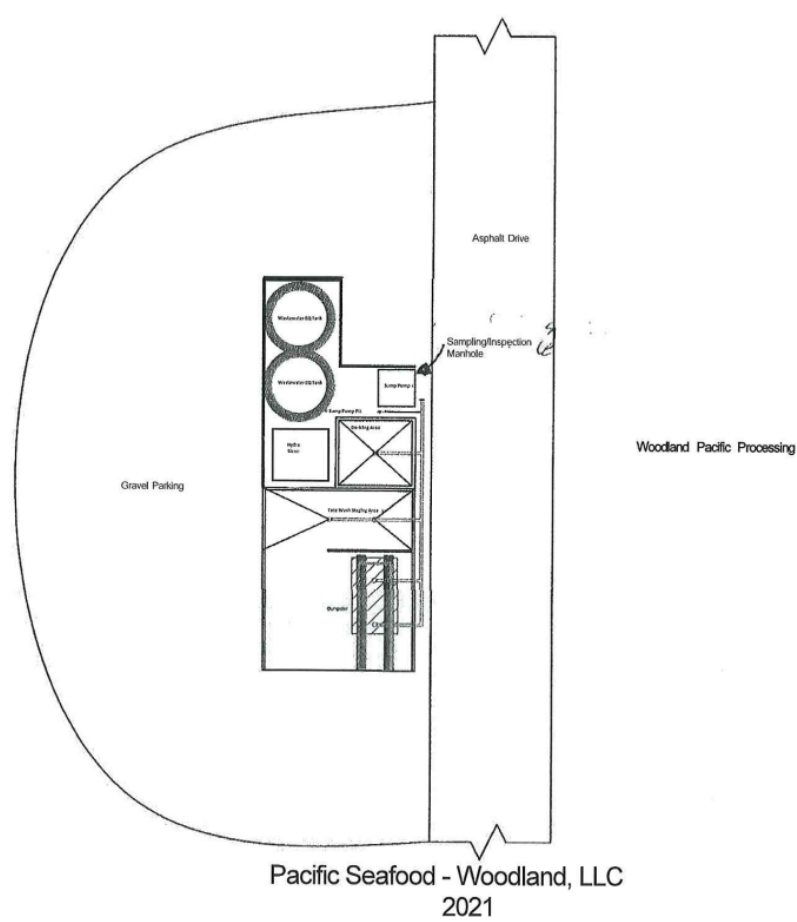
Mr. Mitchell brought up the previous request made on April 21, 2023, in which he requested an exemption to collect time paced composite samples in addition to flow proportional composite samples. Ecology concurred with the request and prepared a draft modified permit on May 17, 2023. I will work with Mr. Mitchell to address this subject. The whole facility including seafood processing rooms, wastewater collection, treatment, and discharge system were inspected. The entire facility looked clean and well operated.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this inspection report, please contact Sepideh Sadeghi, PhD, PE at [Sepideh.sadeghi@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Sepideh.sadeghi@ecy.wa.gov) or (564) 669-9819.

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**Photo [1]**  
**Description:** Facility map



**Photo [2]**  
**Description:** Health and Safety compliance steps





<p><b>Photo [3]</b> <b>Description:</b> Secondary Containments</p>
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<p><b>Photo [4]</b> <b>Description:</b> Processing/Operation</p>
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Photo [5]  
Description: Storage





**Photo [6]**  
**Description:** Outside Sump



**Photo [7]**  
**Description:** Surcharge Tanks





**Photo [8]**  
**Description:** Hydrosieve