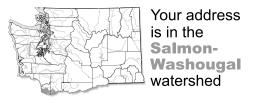


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December 21, 2012

Bob Zeigler, SEPA/NEPA Coordinator WA State Department of Fish & Wildlife Regulatory Services Section 600 Capitol Way North Olympia, WA 98501-1091



Dear Mr. Zeigler:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the determination of nonsignificance for the North Fork Washougal Weir and Fish Handling Facility project located at 391 Steelhead Road in Washougal as proposed by Tim Ward, WA State Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW). The Department of Ecology (Ecology) reviewed the environmental checklist and has the following comment(s):

## SHORELANDS & ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE: Rebecca Schroeder (360) 407-7273

This project will need a shoreline variance. Ensure that the project is consistent with the state Shoreline Management Act and the Skamania County Shoreline Master Program.

## TOXICS CLEANUP: Connie Groven (360) 407-6254

If contamination is suspected, discovered, or occurs during the proposed SEPA action, testing of the potentially contaminated media must be conducted. If contamination of soil or groundwater is readily apparent, or is revealed by testing, Ecology must be notified. Contact the Environmental Report Tracking System Coordinator at the Southwest Regional Office at (360) 407-6300. For assistance and information about subsequent cleanup and to identify the type of testing that will be required, contact Connie Groven with Ecology's Toxic Cleanup program at the phone number given above.

Ecology's comments are based upon information provided by the lead agency. As such, they may not constitute an exhaustive list of the various authorizations that must be obtained or legal requirements that must be fulfilled in order to carry out the proposed action.

If you have any questions or would like to respond to these comments, please contact the appropriate reviewing staff listed above.

Department of Ecology Southwest Regional Office

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cc: Connie Groven, TCP Rebecca Schroeder, SEA Tim Ward, WDFW (Applicant)