

Hi Jolie and Shane,

WSF requests renewal of the Incidental Harassment Authorization issued for in-water construction of the Bremerton and Edmonds ferry terminals for the 2018/2019 in-water work window (attached). The work at the Bremerton terminal will be implemented during the upcoming 2019/2020 work window. WSF requests that the renewed IHA be valid from August 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020.

The activities to be conducted under the proposed Renewal are identical to the activities analyzed for the Bremerton terminal project under the initial IHA, since this project was not started during the previous work window. However, this does constitute a subset of all the activities in the issued IHA since that IHA covered both Bremerton and Edmonds ferry terminals. The proposed activities at Bremerton are identical to those included in the initial application, including the location, equipment, manner of conducting activities, timing, and total duration.

Included here is Final Monitoring Report for the monitoring required at the Edmonds terminal under the initial IHA. This monitoring report shows that there were no impacts of a scale or nature not previously analyzed or authorized. Mitigation and monitoring measures in the initial IHA will remain the same for the proposed Renewal.

Though we are requesting an August 1 start date, the duration of work will not change. In addition, the IHA application for the attached permit analyzed species presence for the entire August 1 – February 15 work window, therefore potential takes will not be altered if the project begins construction by August 1.

Please let us know if you have questions.

Thanks

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