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**NOTICE OF ROUTINE PROGRAM CHANGE**  
**to WASHINGTON'S COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**  
Washington Department of Ecology

**NOTICE DATE: March 7, 2016**

**NOTICE:** This notice informs the public and other interested parties that the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Office for Coastal Management (OCM) has taken action relating to Washington's Coastal Zone Management Program (WCZMP). As described in Ecology's Public Notice issued on October 22, 2015, Ecology submitted to OCM a request for its approval of Routine Program Changes (RPC) to the state Shoreline Management Act (SMA) and its implementing regulations (WACs 173-15, 18, 20, 22, 26, and 27).

On February 24, 2016 OCM approved the submitted changes for incorporation into the CZMP with several qualifications. Please refer to: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/fed-permit/czmp.html> for a copy of OCM's approval letter and the table with provisions identified as enforceable policies of the WCZMP.

The Federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) authorizes states to review Federal actions, including the issuance of Federal licenses, permits and financial assistance, which may have reasonably foreseeable effects to coastal uses or resources of the state for their consistency with the enforceable policies of the WCZMP as approved by the OCM. As of the date of the publication of this notice, those changes to enforceable policies of the WCZMP which have been approved by OCM may be applied in CZMA Federal Consistency reviews conducted by the state.

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