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July 20, 2007

REGISTERED MAIL
RB 670 439 047 US

Naval Air Station Whidbey Island
Attn: Commanding Officer
3730 Charles Porter Road
Oak Harbor, WA 98278-3800

RE: Requested Amendment to Administrative Order #4441, for Placement of Concrete Erosion Revetment Mats Over a 6600-Square Foot Area on the Shoreline of Ault Field, Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island, Island County, Washington.

Dear Commanding Officer:

Enclosed is an amendment to the Water Quality Certification issued on June 21, 2007, for the above project located on property owned by the United States NAVY, Island County, Washington.

If you have any questions, please contact Cynthia Walcker at (425) 649-4318. Written comments can be sent to her at the Department of Ecology, 3190 – 160th Ave. SE, Bellevue, WA 98008. The enclosed Amendment may be appealed by following the procedures described in the Amendment.

Sincerely,

Geoff Tallent
Section Manager
Northwest Regional Office
Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

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cc: Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Environmental Affairs Department
Susan Powell, Project Manager, ACOE
Doug Thompson, Area Habitat Biologist

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Penny Keys, Ecology

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IN THE MATTER OF GRANTING	)	**ORDER #4441 1st Amendment**
A WATER QUALITY	)	**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**
#200700180		
CERTIFICATION TO	)	
Naval Air Station Whidbey Island		
Place pre-manufactured concrete erosion revetment mats over a 6600 square-foot area on the beach. Located in Section 21, Township 33 North, Range 01 East, Island County, Washington.		

TO: Naval Air Station Whidbey Island
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This amendment is to the above-referenced Administrative Order approved and issued by the Department of Ecology on June 21, 2007.

This amendment is issued under the provisions of Chapter 90.48 RCW and Chapter 173-201A WAC.

Administrative Order No. 4441 is hereby amended as follows:

Original project: The project approved under Department of Ecology Water Quality Certification Order No. 4441 issued June 21, 2007, included installation of concrete erosion revetment mats over a 6600 square foot (SF) area on the Ault Field beach in the location of a steep bluff. Construction equipment will access the work area via an existing ramp once the ramp has been re-graded and built with four to six inch river rock or cobble. All equipment will be removed from the beach at the end of each work day or before the next high tide, whichever occurs first. The beach will be graded to just below beach grade prior to placing the mats then covered with native beach material. The concrete block articulated mat revetment will be keyed into the bluff and buried on each side. The end of the mat will be keyed into the sandbar waterward of the cobble zone.

Revised project: By this Order, the Department of Ecology amends the scope of work from the original Certification to include installation of concrete erosion revetment mats over a 6600 square foot (SF) area on the Ault Field beach in the location of a steep bluff. Construction equipment will access the work area via an existing ramp once the ramp has been re-graded. All equipment will be removed from the beach at the end of each work day or before the next high tide, whichever occurs first. The beach will be graded to just below beach grade prior to placing the mats then covered with native beach material.

Dated July 20, 2007 at Bellevue, Washington.

Geoff Tallent, Section Manager
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