

Shellfish Aquaculture Regulatory Committee

Update on Research, Permitting and Rulemaking

Wednesday, June 2, 2010 • 10:00 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

WA Department of Ecology, Headquarters

Meeting Purpose:

- Inform SARC and other key stakeholders about Sea Grant research activities to date and funding needs, and current status of 404/401 permitting activities from Ecology's perspective.
- Provide Ecology an opportunity to consult with SARC members prior to filing of the draft rule on June 22. Provide SARC members an opportunity to provide comments to and ask questions of Ecology staff.

Facilitators: Cedar Bouta, Department of Ecology SEA Headquarters, Environmental Planner (morning)
Jerry Thielen, Department of Ecology, Rules Coordinator (afternoon)

Notetaker: Jackie Chandler, Department of Ecology SEA Headquarters, Section Secretary

AGENDA

10:00 – 10:15 Welcome and Introductions (Cedar Bouta)
Review of Agenda, Meeting Purpose and Groundrules

10:15 – 12:00 Sea Grant Research Update (Raechel Waters & science team)

12:00 – 12:30 Break for Lunch

12:30 – 12:35 Introduction to afternoon (Jerry Thielen)

12:35 – 12:50 Section 404/401 Permitting Update (Perry Lund)

12:50 – 1:10 Rulemaking Overview (Cedar Bouta)

1:10 – 3:10 SARC Input on Rule Discussion Draft (facilitated by Jerry Thielen)

- Siting
- Operations

3:10 – 3:15 Next steps: Meeting minutes, October meeting?

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3:20 – 3:50 PUBLIC COMMENT: Public discussion with Ecology staff.

See back of agenda for rule timeline.

Rule: Working Timeline

(Subject to change)

- ▶ *May 14-June 5: SARC and public review of discussion draft closes*
- ▶ *June 22: Draft language to rules office*
- ▶ *August 4: Draft rule, economic analyses, SEPA Addendum filed*
- ▶ *August 18: Publication of draft rule and SEPA Addendum*
- ▶ *September 8-October 18: Public comment and hearings*
- ▶ *December 7: SEPA Addendum publication*
- ▶ *December 14: Adoption*
- ▶ *January 8: Effective date*