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Amy Moon Energy Facility Site Specialist Lead 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503

RE: EF-210011, 202206193

Dear Amy Moon,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft Environmental Impact State for the Horse Heaven Wind Farm. We have reviewed the application and have the following comment.

WATER QUALITY

Project with Potential to Discharge Off-Site

If your project anticipates disturbing ground with the potential for stormwater discharge off-site, the NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit is recommended. This permit requires that the SEPA checklist fully disclose anticipated activities including building, road construction and utility placements. Obtaining a permit may take 38-60 days.

The permit requires that a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (Erosion Sediment Control Plan) shall be prepared and implemented for all permitted construction sites. These control measures must be able to prevent soil from being carried into surface water and storm drains by stormwater runoff. Permit coverage and erosion control measures must be in place prior to any clearing, grading, or construction.

In the event that an unpermitted Stormwater discharge does occur off-site, it is a violation of Chapter 90.48 RCW, Water Pollution Control and is subject to enforcement action.

Note: If the project will result in more than one acre of soil disturbance, but less than 5 acres of soil disturbance, it may be possible to obtain an Erosivity Waiver.

More information on the stormwater program may be found on Ecology's stormwater website at: <u>http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/</u>. Please submit an application or contact Lloyd Stevens, Jr. at the Dept. of Ecology, (509) 571-3866 or <u>lloyd.stevensjr@ecy.wa.gov</u> with questions about this permit.

Sincerely,

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