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**Notice of Decision
Shoreline Substantial Development Permit
and
Notice of SEPA Threshold Determination**

File No.:	SHOR22-0015 – SPARO Kelp and Shellfish Farm
Permit Requested:	Shoreline Management Substantial Development Permit (SSDP)
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Location/Description:	This proposed project is an integrated and regenerative kelp and shellfish farm which will grow sugar kelp, clams, mussels, oysters, and possible scallops at one location. All these species are either native or naturalized to the proposed area. It is located 300 feet offshore of the mean low tide in the Puget Sound at the SW corner of Vashon Island, WA in Colvos Passage. The NW corner will be at approximately: 47.337833N, -122526706W, Section 2, Township 21N, Range 02E. The site will be entirely in open water between depth of 30 feet and 80 feet and will not access the shoreline or tidal lands. Tax Parcel: 022102HYDR.
SEPA Threshold Determination:	Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance (MDNS)
Department Decision:	Approve, subject to conditions
Date issued:	1/10/2023

King County has made a decision on an application for a development proposal on property at the address listed above. You are receiving notice of this decision because our records indicate that you own property within approximately 500 feet or because you requested to receive notice of the decision.

Shoreline Decision Appeal Procedure:

The Shoreline Management Substantial Development Permit decision may be appealed to the State Shoreline Hearings Board. Information on appeal procedures may be obtained from the Washington State Environmental & Land Use Hearings Office at eluhho@eluhho.wa.gov or 306-664-9160. Requests for review by the Hearings Board must be received by the Shoreline Hearings Board **within twenty-one (21) days of the “date of filing.”** The “date of filing” of a local government final decision involving approval or denial of a substantial development permit is the date of actual receipt by the department of a local government's final decision on the permit.

SEPA Decision and Appeal Procedure:

This Mitigated Determination of Non-significance (MDNS) is issued under the optional DNS/MDNS process of Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 197-11-355. This Department has determined that existing State of Washington and King County regulations and codes are sufficient to address impacts associated with this development. Therefore, An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required. There is no additional comment period for this proposal.

The application is for a Type 2 permit. Under KCC 20.44.120, there is no administrative appeal to the King County Hearing Examiner. Any appeals to this threshold determination can be combined with any appeals of the Shoreline Substantial Development Permit to the State Shoreline Hearings Board.

If you have any questions regarding the appeal procedures, please contact staff listed at the phone number or E-mail identified above. NOTE: To request this information in alternative format for people with disabilities please call 206-296-6600 or TTY Relay: 711.

You may use the following link to obtain a copy of the Shoreline Permit Report and Decision: <https://kingcounty.gov/depts/local-services/permits/public-notices.aspx>

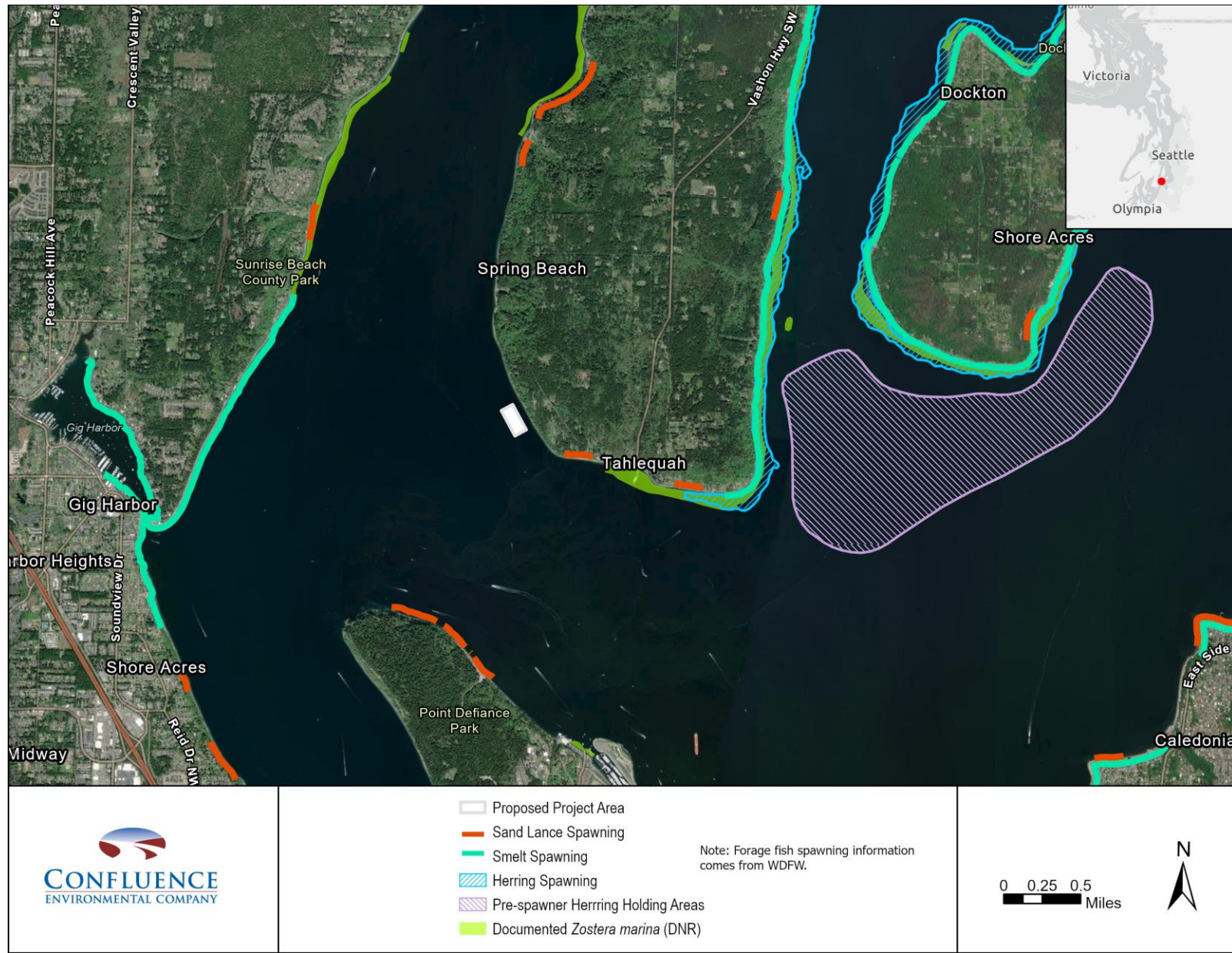


Figure 1. Documented forage fish spawning and eelgrass near the proposed project.