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Just the fact that Ecology is requesting a permit is evidence there never was authority for much of its policy implementation shenanigans upon the people of Washington.

The lack of authority is evidenced primarily by a lack of any clear definition of Waters or Wetlands in statute.

The fact that this was initially a Governor's Bill furthers the evidence that most, if not all "Waters" regulation, particularly including Wetland regulation (and under the GMA), is policy based implementation, again without authority, such that no legal arguments are successful against said implementation.

The recent "confirmation" by SCOTUS of the lack of any "significant nexus" to non-waters, is the nail in the coffin of Ecology's grand plans to rule the populace by Governor's policy-based executive order representing private, not public, interest.

Any permit program authorized for Ecology should be extremely legislatively limiting on a heretofore rogue agency releasing policy rule upon the people.

Time for the legislature to establish the authority limiting Ecology to regulation solely of Relatively Permanent Waters.

Only with established appropriate, credible, and measurable authority can the agency's Private Interests be reigned in.

Specific Comments on the horribly written bill itself coming soon.

End the Reign, Washington