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RE: Grays Harbor Paper LP, Draft Agreed Order

Ms. Toffol,

Thank you for this opportunity to make a comment on the above referenced draft document. Before any cleanup can begin, the extent and nature of contamination need to be thoroughly assessed.

In the Agreed Order outfall pipes and submerged pipelines are mentioned.

Agreed Order 5.15 Treated effluent was discharged through an outfall pipe into Grays Harbor. Filter backwash and overflow from the freshwater treatment system was also discharged through a different outfall into the mouth of the Hoquiam River.

Agreed Order 5.17 The former pulp and paper mill areas are near the Hoquiam River and Grays Harbor. Operations during RYAM's predecessors' operation of the pulp mill included occasionally pumping spent sulfite liquor from the mill, via a submerged pipeline beneath the waterway between the mill and Rennie Island, for storage in an impoundment on Rennie Island.....

Agreed Order 5.24 A September 1994 Sediment Studies Report documented contaminated sediment near the site's wastewater outfalls.....

Attached is a DNR application (dated 1/8/2014) for two wastewater outfalls. In addition there is a DNR Harbor Area lease and two DNR pipeline easements for the submerged pipeline between the mill and Rennie Island. A Public Disclosure Request (see attachment) has been submitted to the DNR and the first installment will be available July 25, 2024. Please review all these documents in determining the extent of contamination.

Thank you.

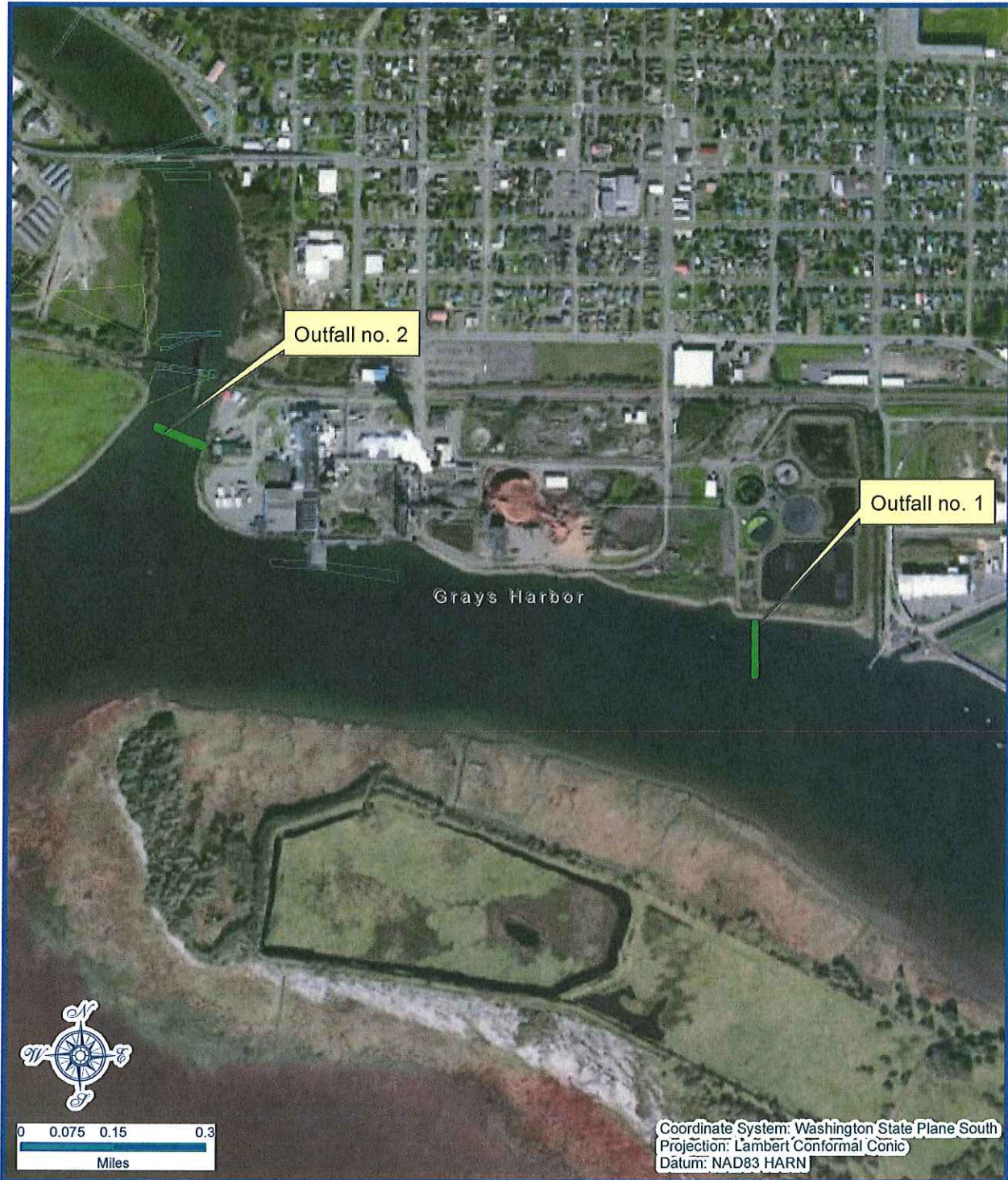


WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
Natural Resources
Peter Goldmark - Commissioner of Public Lands

Application for Use of State-owned Aquatic Lands

Applicant Name: Harbor Paper, LLC.
County: Grays Harbor County
Water Body: Grays Harbor
Type of Authorization - Use: Easement – (2) wastewater outfalls
Authorization Number: 51-089452
Term: 12 years

Description: This agreement would allow the continued use of State-owned aquatic lands for the sole purpose of (2) wastewater outfalls. It is located on Grays Harbor, in Grays Harbor County, Washington.



Vicinity Map

Every attempt was made to use the most accurate and current geographic data available. However, due to multiple sources, scales, and the currency of the data used to develop this map Washington Department of Natural Resources cannot accept responsibility for errors and omissions in the data. Furthermore, this data is not survey grade information and cannot be substituted for an official survey. Therefore, there are no warranties that accompany this material

Legal Description

OUTFALL NO. 1
SE SE Section 12 Township 17N Range 10W

OUTFALL NO. 2
SE SW Section 12 Township 17N Range 10W

Prepared By: CAZ Date: 1/8/2013

June 12, 2024 Tue 11:42 AM

Good morning,

The Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) received your public disclosure request on June 10, 2024. All identifiable records responsive to your request will be provided to you pursuant to Chapter 42.56 RCW.

You requested:

- All Aquatic leases and easements (current and expired) associated with Grays Harbor Paper LP.

Please be advised that, pursuant to RCW 42.56.120, DNR uses the default fee schedule. If DNR uses an outside vendor for the duplication service, the charge to you will be the cost charged by the vendor, plus the cost of shipping. However, records may also be viewed in person for no fee.

DNR is in the process of making a diligent and good faith effort to locate records that are responsive to your request. We estimate that your first installment of records will be available on or about **July 25, 2024**.

If responsive records become available sooner, we will certainly forward it to you.

Should you have any questions, please contact our office.

Warm Regards,

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