

## Port of Tacoma

The Port of Tacoma appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed updates to the Aquatic Life Toxics Criteria, WAC 173-201A-240 (Code). As a stormwater permittee, we are very concerned about the impacts of 6PPD-q to water quality. However, in general, the addition of 6PPD-q to the Code at such an early stage of study is concerning.

There is a lot that is still unknown about 6PPD-q, including its fate and transport in the environment, impacts on species, and strategies for reducing its presence. We strongly advocate that Ecology utilize existing resources to address these issues, including: ensuring laboratories are certified and capable of handling sample analysis, an independent SAM study to better understand the potential impacts to our receiving waters and aquatic life; how to control sources through best management practices; and identifying strategies for design/redesign of infrastructure to support source control.