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To All Interested Government Agencies and Public Groups:

Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), an environmental review has been performed on the following action.

TITLE: Pritchard Park East Bluff Shoreline Restoration Project Supplemental Environmental Assessment

LOCATION: Bainbridge Island, Washington

SUMMARY: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is the lead federal agency for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance for the Supplemental Environmental Assessment for the Pritchard Park East Bluff Shoreline Restoration Project, which supplements the Restoration Plan/Environmental Assessment for the Wyckoff/Eagle Harbor Site, Bainbridge Island, Washington. This action is sponsored by the Elliott Bay Natural Resource Trustees and designed to help restore natural resources injured by the releases of hazardous substances or discharges of oil in Eagle Harbor, Bainbridge, Washington.

The Trustees determined that restoring key critical habitats would provide beneficial habitat for fish and wildlife species in the area, including Chinook salmon (*Onchorynchus tshawytscha*) and Steelhead (*Onchorynchus mykiss*), listed species under the Endangered Species Act (ESA; 50 CFR 223). The public and other interested parties have had an opportunity to comment on the evaluation of this project through the public review of the Supplemental Environmental Assessment.

The Pritchard Park East Bluff Shoreline Restoration Project will be constructed in compliance with all permits required by the State and Federal regulatory agencies and will meet all environmental compliance requirements. The proposed activity was evaluated under criteria specified by the National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR 1508.27). Based on a review of all of these factors, NOAA and the Trustees concur that the proposed activity would not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment.

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The environmental review process led us to conclude that this action will not have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, an environmental impact statement will not be prepared. A copy of the finding of no significant impact (FONSI) including the supporting supplemental environmental assessment (SEA) is enclosed for your information.

Although NOAA is not soliciting comments on this completed SEA/FONSI, we will consider any comments submitted that would assist us in preparing future NEPA documents. Please submit any written comments to the responsible official named above.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure