



Loowit Consulting Group, LLC

October 11, 2022

Mr. Mr. Robert Balmelli
RB Engineering, Inc.
PO Box 923
Chehalis, WA 98532

RE: Wetland Delineation Update – 2510 & 2520 Kresky Ave NE – Chehalis, Washington.

Dear Mr. Balmelli,

Loowit Consulting Group, LLC (LCG) has completed a wetland delineation update at a property located at 2510 & 2520 Kresky Ave NE in Chehalis, Washington. The City of Chehalis has requested an update to wetland and buffer delineation work completed by Ecological Land Services, Inc. (ELS) in January 2016. Wetlands are regulated by the City of Chehalis under Chehalis Municipal Code (CMC) *17.23 Wetlands and CMC 17.25 Fish and Wildlife Habitat Areas*. LCG visited the site on September 20, 2022 to verify current site conditions.

SUBJECT SITE INFORMATION

Site Address: 2510 & 2520 Kresky Ave NE
Centralia, WA 98531

Current Owner: Wilson Real Estate Chehalis, LLC

Tax Parcel Number: 005606039002 & 005606039001

Legal Description: Section 20, Township 14 North, Range 2 West, W.M.

Property Size: Approximately 0.88 & 1.33 acres (2.21 acres total)

Jurisdiction: City of Centralia

CURRENT SITE CONDITIONS

The subject site slopes to the west from Kresky Ave onto a relatively flat gravel surfaced parking area before sloping to the west into a large wetland area. The gravel surfaced parking area was originally excavated in preparation of building a professional office building. The building was not constructed so the area has been used as a parking lot for the adjacent businesses to the

north. There are no other improvements at the subject site and the main access is via an approach from Hampe Way to the south.

Adjacent land uses include:

- To the South – Hampe Way and commercial
- To the North – Commercial and professional
- To the West – Open space
- To the East – Kresky Ave and commercial

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Prior to visiting the subject site, LCG conducted a desktop review of readily available mapping and other information including:

- Lewis County Web Map (<http://ims.lewiscountywa.gov/webmaps/composite2/viewer.htm>).
- US Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory Wetlands Mapper (<https://www.fws.gov/wetlands/data/mapper.html>).
- US Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey (<https://websoilsurvey.sc.egov.usda.gov/App/WebSoilSurvey.aspx>).
- Washington Department of Natural Resources Forest Practices Application Mapping Tool (<https://fpamt.dnr.wa.gov/default.aspx>).
- Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Salmonscape (<http://apps.wdfw.wa.gov/salmonscape/map.html>).
- Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife Priority Habitat and Species (<http://apps.wdfw.wa.gov/phsontheweb/>).
- *Wetland Delineation Report for the Hampe Professional Office, Chehalis, Washington.* Ecological Land Services, Inc., January 2016.
- *Preliminary Site Plan, PO.1.* RB Engineering. February 2022.

FIELD INVESTIGATIONS

On September 20, 2022, LCG visited the subject site to collect site information and ground truth resource mapping for the area. Site work included:

- Documentation of current site conditions
- Documentation of adjacent land uses
- Verification of critical areas within or adjacent to the site
- Ground verification of mapped wetlands at the site.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Based on a desktop review of existing site resources, a visit to the subject site, a review of City of Chehalis codes, and best professional judgment; LCG has determined that wetland, stream, and associated buffer conditions are unchanged since ELS completed a wetland delineation of the subject site January 2016. The on-site wetland is rated as a low scoring Category II wetland (20 points) with moderate functions for improving water quality (7 points), hydrologic (6 points), and habitat (7 points). *CMC 17.23.030C* requires a 100-foot wide buffer on Category II wetlands with a habitat score of 20 (old system) or 7 (new system).

If you have questions you can contact us at 360.431.5118 or thaderly42@gmail.com.

Sincerely,



Timothy J. Haderly
Principal Scientist/Owner

Limitations

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