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TO: KMAS, KRXY, SHELTON-MASON COUNTY JOURNAL, THE OLYMPIAN, SHELTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, NORTH MASON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CITY OF SHELTON, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, THE SUN

## RE: Mason County General Permit Application for Biosolids Management

Public Notice of submittal for coverage under the General Permit for Biosolids Management by Mason County for the Belfair Water Reclamation Facility located at 25200 SR3, Belfair, WA.

Per State regulations, Water Reclamation Facilities are required to hold valid Biosolids Management permits. Mason County is submitting an application for coverage under the General Permit for Biosolids Management to the Department of Ecology for its Belfair Water Reclamation Facility. A requirement of the permit process is to provide a 30 day public comment period for the biosolids management application.

Mason County currently operates two other facilities that generate biosolids. The biosolids are currently taken for bio-recycling to North Ranch Facility via a septic hauler. The application for the Belfair plant generated biosolids is to also be trucked for bio-recycling to the North Ranch Facility.

Any person who wants to comment on this proposal or wants to request a public hearing or meeting must do so in writing within 30 days of this notice. Comments should be addressed to Chuck Matthews, Department of Ecology, Southwest Regional Office, 300 Desmond Dr., Lacey, WA 98503-1274. **The last day to receive public comment is Friday, August 23, 2013.** 

For more information about the Biosolids Management permit application, please contact Tom Moore, at 432-5652.

If you wish to be included on an interested parties list to receive notification of activities relating to this biosolids management project, please notify, in writing, the Belfair Water Reclamation Facility contact person listed below. The Belfair Water Reclamation Facility will provide written confirmation to each interested person or organization that their name has been placed on the list.

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