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RE: Updated Groundwater Source Control Evaluation and Data Report
Willamette Cove Uplands
ECSI No. 2066

Dwight:

DEQ staff reviewed the *Groundwater Source Control Evaluation Update* and *Supplemental Groundwater Source Control Evaluation Sampling Data Report* for the Willamette Cove Upland Facility (“site”) prepared by Apex on behalf of the Port of Portland (Port) and dated January 22, 2026. We also met with EPA and the Five Tribes separately to discuss the updated source control evaluation (SCE) and the above-referenced reports.

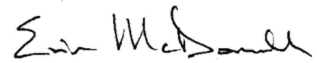
The most recent iteration of the source control report is better at presenting the lines-of-evidence to support that moderate groundwater concentrations detected in the West Parcel upland monitoring wells sufficiently attenuate prior to discharge to the river and do not present a source control concern. While we do not concur with all of the assumptions of hydrogeologic analysis and groundwater discharge model, DEQ generally agrees with the conclusions of the reports and will begin preparation of a source control decision. To complete this task, we may request additional information or data collection, if needed.

Next Steps

DEQ is not seeking revised reports. Thank you for working closely with DEQ to complete a source control evaluation.

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Sincerely,



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