

# Cascade Point Permit Information Request

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Hello Regulatory Division Team,

Thank you very much for your previous help a few months ago confirming the existing permits for the Cascade Point project in Berners Bay and the Department of the Army permit modification POA-1997-00245-M7, which lists an expiration date of June 16, 2026.

I have not seen any public notices for new 404 permit applications on the project. Could you please confirm the following:

1. Whether POA-1997-00245-M7 is limited to the marine dock/breakwater work shown on the approved plans, and does not authorize Phase 1 upland and freshwater actions listed in their Phase 1 Public Notice comment period description:
  - Construction of an approximately one-half mile long, new ferry terminal access road from the end of Glacier Highway to the uplands terminal pad,
  - Development of a new approximately three-acre gravel-surfaced pad at the ferry terminal uplands site,
  - Retaining wall construction for the terminal pad,
  - Bridge construction over Cascade Creek,
  - Installation of approximately six new culverts along the new access road, and

- Quarry rock blasting and excavation for development of construction aggregate materials and for manufacturing armor rock to be stockpiled on the uplands terminal pad for use in a future project phase (breakwater and marine causeway construction)
- Whether USACE has received any pre-application meeting requests and/or any applications related to Cascade Point for:
  - a Clean Water Act §404 permit and/or
  - a Rivers and Harbors Act §10 authorization, submitted by DOT&PF, Goldbelt, a design-build contractor, or consultants on their behalf
- If any application materials have been submitted, could you please provide:the date received,
  - the current status (e.g., under review, additional information requested, on hold), and
  - copies of any publicly available application materials and/or a link to any public notice (if issued).

We are asking because project communications indicate a construction schedule in which ground-disturbing work may begin in July, 2026, immediately following the current permit's expiration in June of 2026. Given the potential for tideland and stream impacts, we want to ensure there is no misunderstanding in the public record regarding what is currently authorized and whether any new federal permitting is underway.

Thank you for your help. Please feel free to contact me if a quick call would be more efficient, but written confirmation would be appreciated for clarity in the administrative record.

Sincerely,  
Tyler Breen

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to Brandee, John, me



Hi Tyler,

Department of the Army Permit POA-1997-00245-M7 issued to Goldbelt, Inc. does not authorize either Phase 1 or Phase 2 of ADOT's proposed ferry terminal at Cascade Point in Juneau. However, POA-1997-00245-M7 is still valid until June 16, 2026, and Goldbelt can still work under that authorization, which is limited to their marine dock/breakwater shown on the permit plans.

I have had two pre-application meetings with ADOT on the proposed ferry terminal. I had a meeting with personnel from ADOT's Southcoast Region, Environmental Section on October 10, 2025, and we met again on December 11, 2025. ADOT has not submitted a permit application, and we have not been given a date when we could expect submittal of an application.

Thank you,

Randal P. Vigil

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Randy,

This project was one of Delana's.

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Greetings RG,

Forwarding for your action and CC-ing Brandee should there be any legal consultation required.

Thanks!

Respectfully,

John P. Budnik

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to Randal, Brandee,

John 

Thank you for your response, Randal,

This is very helpful and I appreciate your assistance.

Have a good evening,

Tyler

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to Randal 

Good afternoon Randal,

Following up on this thread, could you verify that Stage 1 of the Cascade Point Ferry Terminal project does indeed require a 404 permit. Our understanding is that the bridge work crossing an anadromous stream would be the component triggering permit requirements.

Thank you,

Tyler



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to me 

Hi Tyler,

Based on what I currently understand there are waters of the United States, including wetlands, that would be impacted by the proposed Phase 1 that would require authorization under Section 404, Clean Water Act prior to construction.