

Diana Dupuis  
Director



STATE OF WASHINGTON

## WASHINGTON STATE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

1111 Israel Road S.W. • P.O. Box 42650 • Olympia, WA 98504-2650 • (360) 902-8500

TDD Telecommunications Device for the Deaf: 800-833-6388

[www.parks.state.wa.us](http://www.parks.state.wa.us)

### SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PERMIT

**230603**

- Whatcom Bays Area:** Larrabee State Park, Birch Bay State Park,  
**San Juan Area:** Spencer Spit State Park, Lime Kiln State Park, Obstruction Pass, Sucia State Park, San Juan Marine Parks,  
**Deception Pass Area:** Deception Pass State Park, Hope Island Marine Park (Skagit), Dugualla Bay Island, Kiket Island (Kukutali Preserve)  
**Central Whidbey Area:** Fort Casey State Park, Joseph Whidbey State Park, Fort Ebey State Park, South Whidbey State Park, Ebey's Landing, Possession Point State Park Property  
**Tahoma Gateway Area:** Dash Point State Park, Saltwater State Park  
**Salish Foothills Area:** Cama Beach State Park, Camano Island State Park, Bay View State Park  
**Millersylvania Area:** Tolmie State Park  
**South Sound Area:** Belfair State Park, Twanoh State Park, Jarrell Cove State Park, Penrose Point State Park, Kopachuck State Park, Joemma Beach State Park, Cutts Island, Haley Property, Point Hannan, Eagle Island Marine State Park, Hope Island (Mason) State Park, Stretch Point Marine State Park, Harstine Island Marine State Park, McMicken Island Marine State Park:  
**Kitsap Area:** Kitsap Memorial State Park, Science Beach State Park, Blake Island State Park, Manchester State Park, Shine Tidelands, Wolfe Property  
**Olympic View Area:** Fort Worden State Park, Fort Flagler State Park, Fort Townsend State Park, Mystery Bay  
**Olympic Peninsula Area:** Bogachiel State Park, Dosewallips State Park, Potlatch State Park, Sequim Bay State Park, Miller Peninsula Property, Triton Cove, Pleaseand Harbor, Lilliwaup Tidelands, Tolandos Peninsula Tidelands, Hoko River State Park Property  
**Northern Shores Area:** Ocean City State Park, Pacific Beach State Park, Griffiths-Priday State Park, North Beach Seashore Conservation Area  
**South Beach Area:** Twin Harbors State Park, Grayland Beach State Park, Bottle Beach State Park, Westport Light State Park, South Beach Seashore Conservation Area  
**Long Beach Area:** Cape Disappointment State Park, Fort Columbia State Park, Leadbetter Point, Long Beach Seashore Conservation Area

This scientific research permit is made and entered into, by and between the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "COMMISSION", and Kate Litle, hereinafter referred to as the "PERMITTEE".

WHEREAS, the PERMITTEE requests a permit for scientific research for a conducting a community science project to search for European Green Crab molts as per the original scientific research permit application dated 06/12/2023;

WHEREAS, PERMITTEE is a representative of Washington Sea Grant, University of Washington, and;

WHEREAS, the COMMISSION has waived the fee because the requested action will be of benefit to the general public,

WHEREAS, the requested data collection is exempt from SEPA by WAC 197-11-800 (17), and;

WHEREAS, PERMITTEE will obtain all necessary state and federal permits, if any, for this study;

**NOW THEREFORE**, COMMISSION hereby grants PERMITTEE a permit and right of entry to the state parks listed above beginning on [07/01/2023] and terminating on [07/01/2028] upon the following terms and conditions:

1. COMMISSION hereby grants to PERMITTEE a revocable right to enter the above-mentioned park at such times as are mutually agreeable to PERMITTEE and PARK MANAGER to perform the following tasks as described in the original letter of request dated 06/12/2023:
  - Community scientists will search for and gather molts for 20 person-minutes in groups of up to four people. Molts will be photographed and identified to species. Data on European green crab molts will be recorded and reported through the MyCoast app.
  - Community scientists will have the option to also submit data for Dungeness crab molts.
  - Participants will be allowed to retain European green crab molts. Retaining molts of other species shall not be allowed.
  
2. PERMITTEE shall notify and coordinate visits and research site locations in advance with State Parks by contacting:
  - Andrea Thorpe, Ph.D., Natural Resources Program Manager
  - Phone: 360-890-0175
  - Email: [andrea.thorpe@parks.wa.gov](mailto:andrea.thorpe@parks.wa.gov)and
  - Stella Waxwing, Statewide Steward
  - Phone: 360-972-0589
  - Email: [stella.waxwing@parks.wa.gov](mailto:stella.waxwing@parks.wa.gov)

Contact information for manager for parks included in the permit is provided below:

**Whatcom Bays Area**, Amber Forest, Area Manager

245 Chuckanut Dr.  
Bellingham, WA 98229-8934  
Phone: 360-676-2093  
Email: amber.forest@parks.wa.gov

**San Juan Area**, Chris Guidotti, Area Manager

3572 Olga Rd.  
Olga, WA 98279-8556  
Phone: 360-376-2326  
Email: chris.guidotti@parks.wa.gov

**Deception Pass Area**, Jason Armstrong, Area Manager

41020 State Route 20  
Oak Harbor, WA 98277-7947  
Phone: 360-675-3767  
Email: jason.armstrong@parks.wa.gov

**Central Whidbey Area**

1280 Engle Rd.  
Coupeville, WA 98239-3517  
Phone: 360-678-4519

**Tahoma Gateway Area**, Jeff Vasallo, Area Manager

23700 SE Flaming Geysers Rd.  
Auburn, WA 98092-9031  
Phone: 253-735-8839  
Email: jeff.vasallo@parks.wa.gov

**Salish Foothills Area**, Jeff Wheeler, Area Manager

1880 SW Camano Island Dr.  
Camano Island, WA 98282-6342  
Phone: 360-387-1550  
Email: jeff.wheeler@parks.wa.gov

**Millersylvania Area**, Janet Shonk, Area Manager

12245 Tilley Rd S  
Olympia, WA 98512-9167  
Phone: 360-753-1519  
Email: janet.shonk@parks.wa.gov

**South Sound Area**, Joel Pillers, Area Manager

PO Box 2787

Belfair, WA 98528  
Phone: 360-275-2222  
Email: joel.pillers@parks.wa.gov

**Kitsap Area**, Kinnan Murray, Area Manager  
3540 NE Sylvan Way  
Bremerton, WA 98310-8336  
Phone: 360-478-6460  
Email: Kinnan.murray@parks.wa.gov

**Olympic View Area**, Brian Hageman, Area Manager  
200 Battery Way  
Port Townsend, WA 98368-3621  
Phone: 360-344-4412  
Email: brian.hageman@parks.wa.gov

**Olympic Peninsula Area**, Erik Plunkett, Area Manager  
269035 US Highway 101  
Sequim, WA 98382  
Phone: 360-683-4235  
Email: erik.plunkett@parks.wa.gov

**Northern Shores Area**, Joseph Fernandez, Area Manager  
148 State Route 115  
Hoquiam, WA 98550-9627  
Phone: 360-289-3553  
Email: joseph.fernandez@parks.wa.gov

**South Beach Area**, Miles Wenzel, Area Manager  
3120 State Route 105  
Westport, WA 98595  
Phone: 360-268-1457  
Email: miles.wenzel@parks.wa.gov

**Long Beach Area**, Evan Roberts, Area Manager  
PO box 488  
Ilwaco, WA 98624-0488  
Phone: 360-642-3078  
Email: evan.roberts@parks.wa.gov

3. Any materials approved under this permit for removal from COMMISSION owned properties will become the property of the PERMITTEE unless otherwise stipulated.
4. All tools, equipment, and other property owned by PERMITTEE shall remain the property of PERMITTEE and are to be removed from the park by PERMITTEE prior to the expiration of this permit, or within 30 days following revocation.

5. PERMITTEE will be responsible for damages arising from any activities of PERMITTEE, its officers, agents, employees or representatives on said land, in the exercise of rights under this permit and hereby agrees to indemnify and hold COMMISSION harmless from any such damages.
6. COMMISSION shall not be responsible in any manner for the tools, equipment or other property owned by PERMITTEE.
7. PERMITTEE shall keep a copy of this permit on his or her person at all times research is being conducted on park land. PERMITTEE shall exhibit the permit if requested to do so by COMMISSION staff or other law enforcement personnel.
8. PERMITTEE shall provide a report to COMMISSION, in electronic form, detailing work completed under this permit within 60 days of permit expiration. And no later than six months after research is completed, PERMITTEE shall provide COMMISSION a report detailing the findings and conclusions of the research conducted. PERMITTEE will also provide a complimentary copy to COMMISSION of any scientific publications resulting from this study.
9. Stipulations:
  - a. PERMITTEE must contact park staff prior to entering the park to conduct research as outlined in this permit.
  - b. PERMITTEE shall explain research activities to the public if asked.
  - c. In the event archaeological resources are found or unearthed during the work allowed by this permit, PERMITTEE shall cease work immediately and contact State Parks Archaeologist, Jennifer Wilson at (360) 902-8637. If cultural resources are discovered, the PERMITTEE shall comply with provisions of Chapter 27.44 RCW, Chapter 27.53 RCW and the rules and regulations of the Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, including compliance with all archaeological excavation permit requirements.
  - d. PERMITTEE will include "Research was conducted under Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Scientific Research Permit "230602" in the Methods, Acknowledgements, or other appropriate section of any publications resulting from this work.
  - e. PERMITTEE shall not harm flora or fauna while conducting research at the parks included in this permit except as necessary for research activities regulated by this permit.
  - f. PERMITTEE shall obtain a wildlife collection permit from the Department of Fish and Wildlife before beginning sampling activities that involve wildlife specimens and shall keep a copy of the permit with researchers when conducting activities covered by this scientific research permit.

- g. PERMITTEE shall leave research sites as undisturbed as possible to protect the natural wildlife.
10. This permit shall expire 07/01/2028 unless otherwise mutually agreed by both parties - except that PARKS may revoke said permit for any cause. Any request for extension of this permit must be made in writing as an addendum.

DATED: 08/09/2023

DATED: 7/20/23

**COMMISSION**

**PERMITTEE**

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Andrea S. Thorpe Ph.D.  
Stewardship Program

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Kate Litle  
Washington Sea Grant

APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY:  
Jessica Fogel, AAG 5/12/10  
Office of the Attorney General