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**From**: Templeton, Hallie [HTempleton@foe.org]
**Sent**: 6/3/2020 7:37:34 PM
**To**: Tyler, Kip [Tyler.Kip@epa.gov]
**CC**: Hesterlee, Craig [Hesterlee.Craig@epa.gov]; Damico, Katy R CIV USARMY CESAJ (USA) [Katy.R.Damico@usace.army.mil]
**Subject**: RE: Status of Velella Epsilon/Ocean Era NPDES permit decision?

Thank you so much, Kip. This is very helpful. I will follow up with Katy as well.

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**From:** Tyler, Kip <Tyler.Kip@epa.gov>
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 3, 2020 3:23 PM
**To:** Templeton, Hallie <HTempleton@foe.org>
**Cc:** Hesterlee, Craig <Hesterlee.Craig@epa.gov>; Damico, Katy R CIV USARMY CESAJ (USA) <Katy.R.Damico@usace.army.mil>
**Subject:** RE: Status of Velella Epsilon/Ocean Era NPDES permit decision?

Hi Hallie.

The EPA is continuing to evaluate the approximately 45,000 comments received during the public comment period for the draft NPDES permit and draft NEPA evaluation. A permit decision is likely coming within the next four months. I can not provide any timeline beyond that estimate at this point.

The USACE contact for the Section 10 permit is Katy Damico (813.467.6603, Katy.R.Damico@usace.army.mil).

Let me know if you need more information. Feel free to contact me at any time.

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**From:** Templeton, Hallie <HTempleton@foe.org>
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 3, 2020 3:05 PM
**To:** Hesterlee, Craig <Hesterlee.Craig@epa.gov>
**Cc:** Tyler, Kip <Tyler.Kip@epa.gov>
**Subject:** RE: Status of Velella Epsilon/Ocean Era NPDES permit decision?

Thank you both! Will await word from Kip. Much appreciated.

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**From:** Hesterlee, Craig <Hesterlee.Craig@epa.gov>
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 3, 2020 2:48 PM
**To:** Templeton, Hallie <HTempleton@foe.org>
**Cc:** Tyler, Kip <Tyler.Kip@epa.gov>
**Subject:** RE: Status of Velella Epsilon/Ocean Era NPDES permit decision?

Ms. Templeton,

Hope you are well. Kip Tyler of my staff is now managing the Vellela Epsilon NPDES permit decision. I am copying him and he will reach out to you.

Craig Hesterlee, Chief

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**Sent:** Wednesday, June 3, 2020 2:05 PM
**To:** Hesterlee, Craig <Hesterlee.Craig@epa.gov>
**Subject:** FW: Status of Velella Epsilon/Ocean Era NPDES permit decision?

Dear Mr. Hesterlee:

I hope you may be able to help route my inquiry to the correct contact in your office. I attempted to email Ms. Wahlstrom and the email bounced back.

Many thanks,
Hallie Templeton

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**From:** Templeton, Hallie
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 3, 2020 2:01 PM
**To:** wahlstrom-ramler.meghan@epa.gov
**Subject:** Status of Velella Epsilon NPDES permit decision?

Good afternoon, Ms. Wahlstrom:

I hope my email finds you doing well amid all the chaos these days. I was hoping to check in and see if you could provide any sort of timing or status update for the EPA's decision on the Velella Epsilon/Ocean Era pilot project NPDES permit?

I'm also curious if you happen to have a contact within the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers who is handling that agency's process for the Section 10 permit.

Many thanks! Anything you can offer here would be greatly appreciated.

Hallie

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