



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
**DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

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August 31, 2022

The Honorable Steve Purcell  
PO Box 10  
Bucoda, WA 98530

Re: Final Ecology Approval of the Town of Bucoda Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review Amendment

Dear Mayor Purcell:

The Department of Ecology is pleased to announce final approval of the Town of Bucoda (Town) Shoreline Master Program (SMP) periodic review amendment. Ecology finds the Town's amendment consistent with the policy and procedural requirements of the Shoreline Management Act (SMA) and its implementing rules.

**Ecology approves the Town's SMP periodic review amendment as submitted.**

The enclosed Attachment A - Findings and Conclusions document provides more information about our decision. This is Ecology's final action and there will be no further modifications to the proposal.

The amendment adopted by this action concludes the Town's periodic review under RCW 90.58.080(4). Ecology's approval affirms the amendment is consistent with the applicable provisions of the SMA and its implementing rules, including the periodic review requirements of WAC 173-26-090.

The amended SMP is effective 14 days from the date of this letter. This time-period was established by the state legislature and is intended to provide lead-time for the Town to prepare to implement the amended SMP.

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Ecology is required to publish a newspaper notice that the Town's SMP amendment has received final approval. The publication of this notice, in the form of a legal ad, will begin a 60-day appeal period. We will provide a copy of the notice to the Town for its amendment record.

If not already provided, please send Ecology a final clean-copy version of the complete approved SMP that includes the amendment changes.

If you have any questions, please contact our regional planner, Michelle McConnell, at [Michelle.McConnell@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Michelle.McConnell@ecy.wa.gov) or 360-701-5262.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Laura Watson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Laura Watson  
Director

Enclosure

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