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June 17, 2019

The Honorable Dale Jacobson
Town of Cathlamet
375 Second Street
Cathlamet, WA 98612

**Re: Town of Cathlamet Shoreline Master Program Comprehensive Update –
Conditional Approval, Resolution Number 356-17**

Dear Mayor Jacobson:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the Town of Cathlamet (Town) for its efforts in preparing the proposed Shoreline Master Program (SMP) comprehensive update. We appreciate the significant effort that was invested in this update. The SMP will provide a framework to guide development and habitat restoration along the Town's shorelines.

As we have already discussed with you, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has identified specific changes necessary to make the proposal approvable. These required changes are detailed in Attachment B. Recommended changes are proposed in Attachment C and its Exhibit 1 supplement. The findings and conclusions that support Ecology's decision are contained in Attachment A.

Pursuant to RCW 90.58.090 (2)(e), at this point, the Town may:

- Agree to the proposed changes (required and/or recommended changes), or
- Submit an alternative proposal. Ecology will then review the alternative(s) submitted for consistency with the purpose and intent of the changes originally developed by Ecology and with the Shoreline Management Act.

Final Ecology approval will occur when the Town and Ecology agree on language that meets statutory and Guideline requirements.

Please provide your written response within 30 days to the Director's Office at the following address:

WA State Department of Ecology
Attention: Director's Office
PO Box 47600
Olympia, WA 98504-6700



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Ecology appreciates the dedicated work that the Town Council, staff, the Planning Commission and the community have put into the Shoreline Master Program update.

We look forward to concluding the SMP update process in the near future. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the changes identified by Ecology, please contact our Regional Planner, Michelle McConnell, at michelle.mcconnell@ecy.wa.gov or (360) 407-6349.

Sincerely,



Maia D. Bellon
Director

Enclosures (5)

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