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July 6, 2022

The Honorable Molly Hughes  
Town of Coupeville  
P.O. Box 725  
Coupeville, WA 98239

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

Dear Mayor Hughes:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is pleased to announce final approval of the Coupeville Shoreline Master Program (SMP) amendment. Ecology finds the Town of Coupeville's (Town) program consistent with the policy and procedural requirements of the Shoreline Management Act (RCW 90.58) and its implementing rules.

**Ecology approves the Town's SMP 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 amendments adopted by this action conclude 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 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 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.

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 shoreline planner, Railin Santiago, at [railin.santiago@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:railin.santiago@ecy.wa.gov) or 425-301-6989.

Yours truly,

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

Laura Watson  
Director

Enclosure

cc: Donna Keeler, Town of Coupeville  
Joe Burcar, Ecology  
Railin Santiago, Ecology