ORDINANCE NO. 453

AN ORDINANCE adopting Comprehensive Update of the Grays Harbor County Shoreline Master Program

WHEREAS, Grays Harbor County Board of Commissioners appointed a 15-member Shoreline Planning Committee to assist in developing a comprehensive update to its Shoreline Master Program ("SMP") in 2013; and

WHEREAS, after consultation with affected interest groups and citizens in three visioning meeting, six topic-specific workshops and three public open houses, the Shoreline Planning Committee developed a draft approved by the Grays Harbor County Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the draft SMP was authorized by the Board of County Commissioners for final review by the State of Department of Ecology by Grays Harbor County Resolution No. 2018-034; and

WHEREAS, the State of Washington requires documentation of the current shoreline conditions per WAC 173-26-201, therefore Grays Harbor County hired the Watershed Company to produce the Shoreline Analysis Report; and

WHEREAS, the Shoreline Analysis Report informed the development of the SMP, including environment designations, policies and regulations, to ensure that the SMP can meet the requirement of no net loss of ecological functions; and

WHEREAS, review by the Washington Department of Ecology concluded that the County has complied with the requirements of RCW 90.58.100 regarding SMP amendment process and contents; and

WHEREAS, review by the Washington Department of Ecology further concluded that the County has complied with the requirements of RCW 90.58.130 and WAC 173-26-090 regarding public and agency involvement in the SMP update and amendment process; and

WHEREAS, review by the Washington Department of Ecology further concluded that the County has complied with the purpose and intent of local amendment process requirements contained in WAC 173-26-100, including conducting open houses and public hearings, notice consultation with parties of interest and solicitation of comments from tribes, government agencies and Ecology; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Department of Ecology further concluded that the County has complied with requirements of Chapter 43.21 C RCW the State Environmental Policy Act; and

WHEREAS, Grays Harbor County’s development of the Comprehensive Update of the Grays Harbor County Shoreline Master Program is compliant with the procedural requirements for state review and approval of shoreline master program amendments as set forth in RCW 90.58.090 and WAC 173-26-120; and
WHEREAS, the proposed Comprehensive Update of the Grays Harbor County Shoreline Master Program has been reviewed for consistency with the policy of RCW 90.58.020 and the approval criteria of RCW 90.58.090 (3), (4), and (5); and

WHEREAS, Grays Harbor County has also provided evidence of its compliance with SMA procedural requirements for amending the SMP contained the approval criteria,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of Grays Harbor County, Washington as follows:

Section 1. The attached Grays Harbor County Shoreline Master Program is hereby adopted in its entirety.

Section 2. All previous versions of the Grays Harbor County Shoreline Master Program, as well as any amendments thereto, whether by resolution or ordinance, are hereby rescinded.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of May, 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

Vicki L. Raines Chair

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BY: Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Guad Elena, Asst. Clerk

Clerk of the Board