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**DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

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July 8, 2022

The Honorable Jill Boudreau  
City of Mount Vernon  
910 Cleveland Avenue  
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

RE: City of Mount Vernon Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review Amendment –  
Conditional Approval

Dear Mayor Boudreau:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the City of Mount Vernon (City) for its efforts in developing the proposed of the Shoreline Master Program (SMP) periodic review amendment. It is obvious that the City invested a significant effort in this periodic review and amendment process.

**Ecology conditionally approves the City's SMP periodic review amendment.**

As we have discussed with your staff, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) considered the record and concluded that portions of the proposal were not consistent with applicable laws and rules. The findings and conclusions that support our decision are contained in Attachment A. The specific changes identified as necessary to make the proposal approvable are detailed in Attachment B.

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

- Agree to the proposed changes as shown in Attachment B, 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 City and Ecology agree on language that meets statutory and guideline requirements.

Please provide your written response within 30 days to me at [laura.watson@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:laura.watson@ecy.wa.gov).

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We look forward to concluding the SMP periodic review amendment process in the near future. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the changes identified, please contact our regional planner, Stephanie Barney, at [stephanie.barney@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:stephanie.barney@ecy.wa.gov) or 360-296-2103.

Yours truly,

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

Laura Watson

Director

Enclosures

cc: Rebecca Lowell, City of Mount Vernon  
Stephanie Barney, Ecology  
Joe Burcar, Ecology