April 20, 2022

The Honorable Carrie Roecks
Town of Rockford
20 West Emma Street
Rockford, WA 99030

Re: Final Ecology Approval of the Rockford, Waverly, Latah Coalition Shoreline Master Program Comprehensive Update and Periodic Review Amendment

Dear Mayor Roecks:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is pleased to announce final approval of the Towns of Rockford, Waverly, and Latah Coalition (Coalition) Shoreline Master Program (SMP) comprehensive update and periodic review amendment. Ecology finds the Coalition’s SMP consistent with the policy and procedural requirements of the Shoreline Management Act (SMA) and its implementing rules.

Ecology approves the Town of Rockford’s SMP 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 SMP adopted by this action concludes the Town of Rockford’s (Town) comprehensive update under RCW 90.58.080(2) and periodic review under RCW 90.58.080(4). Ecology’s approval affirms the SMP is consistent with the applicable provisions of the SMA and its implementing rules, including periodic review requirements of WAC 173-26-090.

The 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 new SMP.
Ecology is required to publish a newspaper notice that the Coalition’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 legal advertisement to the Town for its 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, Lauren Bromley, Lauren.Bromley@ecy.wa.gov or (509) 220-7750.

Yours truly,

Laura Watson
Director

Enclosure

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