



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

PO Box 47600 • Olympia, WA 98504-7600 • 360-407-6000

711 for Washington Relay Service • Persons with a speech disability can call 877-833-6341

January 23, 2017

The Honorable Nanette Konishi
Town of Rosalia
106 West Fifth Street
PO Box 277
Rosalia, WA 99170

Re: Final Ecology Approval of Rosalia Shoreline Master Program

Dear Mayor Konishi:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the Town of Rosalia (Town) for its efforts in developing the proposed amendments to the Shoreline Master Program (SMP). It is obvious that a significant effort was invested by your staff and engaged community. The SMP will provide a framework to guide development and habitat restoration along the Town's shorelines.

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) finds the Town's SMP amendments are consistent with the policy and procedural requirements of the Shoreline Management Act of 1971 and the Shoreline Master Program Guidelines. Ecology has also worked with Town staff to prepare recommended changes to provide further clarity. These changes are based on comments received from the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation and have been reviewed by Town staff. These recommendations are included in Attachment B – Ecology Recommended Changes. Ecology's findings and conclusions related to the Town's proposed SMP update are contained in Attachment A.

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

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

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



The Honorable Nanette Konishi

January 23, 2017

Page 2

Final Ecology approval will occur after the Town responds to Ecology communicating the Town's decision on the recommended changes. Ecology's final approval will be in the form of a letter, and will be sent upon receipt of the Town's written notification that the recommended changes are acceptable to the Town, or after the Town and Ecology have reached agreement on alternative changes.

The SMP will be effective fourteen days from the date of Ecology's final action. This fourteen-day period was established by legislative action in 2011 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 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. Ecology will provide a copy of the legal ad to the Town for its records.

Thank you again for your efforts. We look forward to receiving your written response and concluding this SMP amendment in the near future. If you have any questions or would like to discuss Ecology's recommended changes, please contact our regional planner, Lennard Jordan at (509) 457-7125 or email at Lennard.Jordan@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Maia Bellon by BMy-zehm

Maia D. Bellon
Director

Enclosures

By Certified Mail [91 7108 2133 3939 7125 5177]

cc: Clover Muters, The Watershed Company
Gary Graff, Ecology
Lennard Jordan, Ecology
Zach Meyer, Ecology