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April 4, 2022

The Honorable Scott Anderson
City of Stevenson
PO Box 371
Stevenson, Washington 98648

**Re: Final Ecology Approval of City of Stevenson Shoreline Master Program
Comprehensive Update and Periodic Review**

Dear Mayor Anderson:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is pleased to announce final approval of the City of Stevenson (City) Shoreline Master Program (SMP) amendment. Congratulations to you, your staff, and the Stevenson community for completing this combined comprehensive update and periodic review. We know this has been a long and challenging process. We appreciate your commitment to comprehensive land use planning for Washington's unique and valuable shorelines.

As you know, the following correspondence regarding the SMP update took place between Ecology and the City:

- February 14, 2019 – Ecology accepted the City's locally approved SMP amendment as complete for purposes of review (Resolution No. 2018-322).
- January 21, 2022 – Ecology conditionally approved the City's SMP comprehensive update and periodic review with twenty-five (25) specific required changes and thirty-three (33) recommended changes.
- March 28, 2022 – The City sent a response letter agreeing to all of Ecology's required and recommended changes, with one correction (adopted as Ordinance No. 2022-1181).

Ecology therefore approves the City's SMP comprehensive update and periodic review amendments, which includes all the agreed to required and recommended changes. The SMP approved by this action concludes the City's comprehensive update under RCW 90.58.080(2), and the City's periodic review under RCW 90.58.080(4). This action represents Ecology's final decision and there shall be no further modifications to the City's proposal.

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The effective date of the City's comprehensive SMP update is fourteen days from the date of this letter, Ecology's final approval letter. This fourteen day period was established by legislative action in 2011 and is intended to provide lead time for the City's to prepare to implement the new SMP.

Ecology is required to promptly publish notice that the City's SMP has received final approval. The notice, in the form of a legal ad, will begin a 30-day appeal period. We will provide a copy of the legal ad to the City for its records.

Finally, if not already completed, please integrate the changes referenced in this correspondence into a final clean copy version of the complete approved SMP, including all appendices, within 30 days. When this is complete, please forward a digital copy of the complete approved SMP to Ecology.

Thank you again for your significant work and leadership in completing this SMP update. If you have any questions, please contact our regional planner, Michelle McConnell, at Michelle.McConnell@ecy.wa.gov or (360) 407-6349.

Sincerely,



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