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July 26, 2010

The Honorable Joan McBride, Mayor
City of Kirkland
123 Fifth Avenue
Kirkland, WA 98033-6189

**Re: City of Kirkland's Shoreline Master Program Comprehensive Update
Resolution R-4786**

Dear Mayor McBride:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the City of Kirkland (City) for its efforts in developing the proposed Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Update. It is consistent not only with the needs of the City, but also with the policy and procedural requirements of the Shoreline Management Act and the Shoreline Master Program Guidelines.

As we have already discussed with your staff, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) approves the proposed amendment, **subject to the City's agreement to the required changes detailed in Attachment C**. The findings and conclusions that support Ecology's decision are also enclosed (Attachment B).

Because a change is required, the amendment will not become effective until Ecology receives written notice that the City agrees to the changes¹. The effective date of the SMP update will be the date on which Ecology receives written notice of your agreement.

As a reminder, shoreline procedural rules² require the City to publish a notice that Ecology has taken final action on this SMP update. Therefore, once Ecology acknowledges receipt of your written agreement, the City should publish a public notice.

Finally, the City must forward two hard copies and one digital copy of the final complete package of SMP amendments to Ecology.

¹ WAC 173-26-120(7)(b)(i)

² WAC 173-26-120(9)



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To summarize, if the City agrees with the required changes, it must:

1. Notify Ecology in writing.
2. Wait to hear from Ecology that we received your notice of agreement.
3. Publish a notice that Ecology has taken final action.
4. Forward two hard copies and one digital copy of the final amendment package to Ecology.

Thank you again for your efforts. If you have any questions, please contact our regional planner Joe Burcar at joe.burcar@ecy.wa.gov/ (425)-649-7145.

Sincerely,



Ted Sturdevant
Director

Enclosures

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