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August 11, 2015

Doug Ross, City Administrator  
City of Medical Lake  
PO Box 369  
Medical Lake, WA 99022

**Re: City of Medical Lake Comprehensive Shoreline Master Program Update –  
Conditional Approval**

Dear Mr. Ross:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the city of Medical Lake (City) for its efforts in developing the proposed comprehensive Shoreline Master Program (SMP) update. The SMP will provide a framework to guide development and habitat restoration in the City's shoreline.

As we have discussed with your staff, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) has identified specific changes that are necessary to make the proposal approvable. Attachment B displays the final re-formatted product that incorporates both recommended and required changes as reviewed by the City. Attachment C shows the recommended and required changes directly on the original locally adopted draft.

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

- Agree to the proposed changes, or
- Submit an alternative proposal. Ecology will then review the alternative(s) submitted for consistency with the purpose and intent of the changes originally submitted 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 guidelines requirements.

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



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Ecology appreciates the dedicated work that you, the City Council, Community Development Department staff, the Planning Commission, and the Shoreline Advisory Committee have put into the SMP Update.

Thank you again for your efforts. We look forward to concluding the SMP update process in the near future. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the changes identified by Ecology, please contact our Regional Planner, Jeremy Sikes, at [Jeremy.Sikes@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Jeremy.Sikes@ecy.wa.gov) or (509) 329-3426.

Sincerely,



Maia D. Bellon  
Director

Enclosures

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