March 9, 2011

The Honorable Denis Law, Mayor
City of Renton
1055 South Grady Way
Renton, WA 98057

Re: City of Renton Comprehensive Shoreline Master Program Update
Resolution Number 4067

Dear Mayor Law:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the city of Renton (City) for its efforts in developing the proposed comprehensive 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 (SMA) and the SMP Guidelines.

As we have already discussed with your staff, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) approves this comprehensive SMP Update, subject to required changes detailed in Attachment B. Recommended changes are also proposed in Attachment C. The findings and conclusions that support Ecology’s decision are also enclosed (Attachment A).

Because required changes are involved in this proposed SMP, the amendment will not become effective until Ecology receives written notice that the City agrees to the changes\(^1\). Receipt of the City’s written agreement to the required changes will constitute final action by Ecology on the Renton SMP.

If you do not agree to the changes listed in Attachment B, then, pursuant to WAC 173-26-120(7)(b)(ii), you may propose to Ecology alternative amendments consistent with the scope of the original submittal, SMA policy and the applicable guidelines. At that point, Ecology will need to review and approve the alternative amendment(s) before they become effective.

\(^1\) WAC 173-26-120(7)(b)(i)
To summarize, please advise us whether the required and recommended changes are acceptable. If the City agrees with the changes, it must notify Ecology in writing by sending the notice 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

Thank you again for your efforts. If you have any questions, please contact our Regional Planner, Barbara Nightingale, at Barbara.Nightingale@ecy.wa.gov/ (425) 649-4309.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Ted Sturdevant
Director

Enclosures

By certified mail [7003 1010 0005 0569 1482]

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