September 24, 2014

WA State Department of Ecology
Attn: Director’s Office
PO Box 47600
Olympia, WA 98504-6700

Re: Bonney Lake Shoreline Master Program – Grant Number G1000016

Ms. Bellon,

I would first and foremost like to recognize Sarah (Lukas) Cassal from the Olympia office on her ability to work collaboratively with City staff in reaching approval of the City of Bonney Lake Shoreline Master Program.

Over the last four years, City staff have been working with a citizen advisory committee, consultants, the Cascade Water Alliance, Ecology, the Bonney Lake Planning Commission, and the Bonney Lake City Council to develop an SMP that balances the environmental protections, private property rights, and recreational usage of the lake and shoreline.

The City of Bonney Lake City Council adopted Ordinance 1491 (attached) on September 23, 2014 adopting the Bonney Lake Shoreline Master Program (SMP). Ordinance 1491 incorporated all of the Department of Ecology’s required changes in Attachment B of your letter dated August 14, 2014, as well as recommended changes 1 - 6 and 8 - 10 in Attachment C of the August 2014 letter.

The Bonney Lake SMP is not be a standalone document, but will be integrated into the City’s existing regulatory framework: the shoreline goals and policies are being added as a new element in the Bonney Lake Comprehensive Plan and the shoreline regulations are being added as a new article in Title 16 of the Bonney Lake Municipal Code consisting of 13 chapters entitled “Shoreline Code”. Therefore, the City intends to send a digital copy and one hard copy of the codified version of the new Title 16 – Article III to your representatives from the Shoreline and Environmental Assistance Program, Sarah Cassal.

We would like to thank Ecology for all of the help and assistance provided during the long process of developing the Bonney Lake SMP. Your staff have been available and professional throughout this entire process and the City appreciates their help.

Sincerely,

Neil Johnson
Mayor
City of Bonney Lake

CC: Sarah Lukas – Department of Ecology, Southwest Regional Office