December 13, 2012

The Honorable Michael Grayum  
City of DuPont  
1700 Civic Drive  
DuPont, WA  98327

RE:  City of DuPont’s Comprehensive Shoreline Master Program Update –  
Conditional Approval, Ordinance Number 12-932

Dear Mayor Grayum:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the city of DuPont (City) for its efforts in developing the proposed comprehensive Shoreline Master Program (SMP) update. It is obvious that a significant effort was invested in this update by your staff, the planning agency and the community. The SMP will provide a framework to guide development and habitat restoration in the City’s shoreline of Puget Sound and the Brackish Marsh.

As we have already discussed with your staff, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has identified specific changes necessary to make the proposal approvable. The required changes are detailed in Attachment B. Ecology’s findings and conclusions related to the City’s proposed SMP update are contained in Attachment A.

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 guideline 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, Planning Agency, and the Community Development Department staff, especially Bill Kingman, have put into the Shoreline Master Program 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, Sarah Lukas, at sarah.lukas@ecy.wa.gov or (360) 407-7459.

Sincerely,

Ted Sturdevant  
Director

Enclosures (2)

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