March 16, 2012

The Honorable David Baker, Mayor
City of Kenmore
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Kenmore, WA 98028

Re: Final Ecology Approval of City of Kenmore Comprehensive Shoreline Master Program Update

Dear Mayor Baker:

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) is pleased to announce final approval of the city of Kenmore (City) Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Comprehensive Update. Congratulations to you, your staff, and the Kenmore community for completing the comprehensive update of your SMP. We know this has been a long and challenging process. We appreciate your commitment to comprehensive land-use planning for Washington’s unique and valuable shorelines.

As you know, the following correspondence regarding the recent SMP comprehensive update took place between Ecology and the City:

- February 22, 2011 -- The City provided your complete locally-adopted SMP to Ecology (adopted as Ordinance Nos. 10-312 and 10-313).

- July 25, 2011 -- Ecology conditionally approved the City’s SMP comprehensive update with specific required and recommended changes.

- November 22, 2011, (with a clarification on January 4, 2012) -- The City sent a letter to Ecology agreeing to 12 of the 14 changes required by Ecology. The City proposed alternative language for two of the 14 required changes. These changes have all been incorporated into Attachment B- Revised (enclosed) and adopted February 13, 2012, as City Ordinance No. 12-0334.

The City agreed to eight of the 11 changes recommended by Ecology. The City proposed alternative language for one of the 11 recommended changes and rejected two. These changes have all been incorporated into Attachment C- Revised (enclosed) and adopted February 13, 2012, as City Ordinance No. 12-0334.
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Upon review, Ecology finds the City’s alternative provisions and additional minor changes 
proposed in Ordinance 12-0334 to be consistent with the purpose and intent of the changes 
originally proposed by Ecology and with the policy of RCW 90.58.020 and applicable rules.

Ecology therefore approves the City’s SMP comprehensive update, together with the revisions 
specified above. This action represents Ecology’s final decision and there shall be no further 
modifications to the City’s proposal.

The effective date of the City’s SMP comprehensive update is 14 days from the date of this 
letter, Ecology’s final approval letter. This 14-day period was established by legislative action in 
2011 and is intended to provide lead time for the City to prepare to implement the new SMP.

Ecology is required to promptly publish notice that your SMP has received final approval. The notice, 
in the form of a legal ad, will begin a 60-day appeal period. We will provide a copy of the legal ad to 
the City for its records.

Finally, please integrate the revisions contained in this correspondence into the City’s SMP, and 
forward two clean hard copies and one digital copy of the approved SMP to Ecology within 30 days.

Thank you again for your significant work and leadership in completing this SMP update. If you have 
any questions, please contact our Regional Planner, David Radabaugh, at 
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Sincerely,

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Director

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