September 15, 2011

The Honorable Tom Nelson, Mayor
City of Lacey
420 College Street SE
Lacey, WA  98509

Re:  City of Lacey Comprehensive Shoreline Master Program Update, Conditional Approval - Resolution Number 967

Dear Mayor Nelson:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the city of Lacey (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 and engaged community.

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. These changes are detailed in Attachment B and its associated Exhibits B-1 and B-2. Recommended changes are proposed in Attachment C and its associated Exhibits C-1 through C-11. The findings and conclusions that support Ecology's decision are enclosed as Attachment A and Exhibit A-1.

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 SMA.

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

Thank you again for your efforts. If you have any questions, please contact our Regional Planner, Chrissy Bailey, at Chrissy.Bailey@ecy.wa.gov/(360) 407-0290.

Sincerely,

Ted Sturdevant
Director

Enclosures

By certified mail [7003 1010 0005 0569 1611]

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