September 19, 2011

The Honorable Ing Moody, Mayor
Town of Twisp
118 South Glover Street
Twisp, WA 98856

Re: Town of Twisp Comprehensive Shoreline master Program Update Conditional Approval, Resolution Number 10-470

Dear Mayor Moody:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the town of Twisp (Town) 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 and their rationale are detailed in Attachment B. A recommended change is also included in Attachment C. Ecology’s findings and conclusions related to the Town’s proposed SMP update are contained in Attachment A.

Pursuant to RCW 90.58.090(2)(e) at this point the Town may:

- Agree to the proposed changes, or
- Submit an alternative proposal. Ecology will then review any 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 Town and Ecology agree on language that meets statutory and Guidelines requirements.
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Please provide your written response within 30 days to the Director’s Office at the following address:

Ted Sturdevant, Director
WA Department of Ecology
PO Box 47600
Olympia, WA 98504-7600

Ecology appreciates the dedicated work that you, the Town Council, Community Development Services staff, Sarah Schrock, the Planning Commission and the Shoreline Advisory Committee have put into the Shoreline Master Program Update.

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, Clynda A. Case, at Clynda.Case@ecy.wa.gov/(509) 457-7125.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Ted Sturdevant
Director

Enclosures

By certified mail [7003 1010 0005 0569 1147]

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