September 13, 2013

The Honorable David Cooper
Town of Yarrow Point
4030 95th Avenue NE
Yarrow Point, WA 98004

Re: Town of Yarrow Point Comprehensive Shoreline Master Program Update – Conditional Approval, Resolution Number 309

Dear Mayor Cooper:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the town of Yarrow Point (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. The SMP will provide a framework to guide development and habitat restoration in the Town’s shoreline along Lake Washington.

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. Recommended changes are 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 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 Town and Ecology agree on language that meets statutory and Guidelines 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

Ecology appreciates the dedicated work that you, the Town Council, Town Planner (Mona Green), and the Planning Commission 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, Anthony Boscolo, at Anthony.Boscolo@ecy.wa.gov or (425) 649-7049.

Sincerely,

Maia D. Bellon  
Director

Enclosures (3)

By certified mail [7012 1010 0003 3028 3409]

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