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August 27, 2009

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

  
Mark Kulaas  
Douglas County Transportation & Land Services Director  
140 19<sup>th</sup> St. NW  
East Wenatchee, WA 98802

**Re: Douglas County Regional Shoreline Master Program Comprehensive  
Amendment (Ordinance # TLS 09-08-41B)**

Dear Mr. Mark Kulaas:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is required to notify the local government and all interested parties of the effective date of a shoreline master program amendment.<sup>1</sup> As you know, the following correspondence regarding the shoreline master program amendment took place between Ecology and Douglas County (County):

- On March 10, 2009 – Ecology approved the Douglas County Regional Shoreline Master Program (DCRSMP) Comprehensive update with specific required changes.
- On April 13, 2009 – Douglas County proposed alternative changes in a letter to Ecology.
- On July 23, 2009 – Ecology sent Douglas County a letter with an attachment detailing the current status of all required changes to the DCRSMP.
- On August 25, 2009 – The Douglas County Board of Commissioners held a hearing, passed Ordinance TLS 09-08-41B and sent a letter to Ecology agreeing to the Ecology July 23, 2009 documented changes to the DCRSMP.
- On August 27, 2009 – Ecology received the August 25, 2009 letter from Douglas County agreeing to the documented changes to the DCRSMP. Therefore, per WAC 173-26-120(7)(b)(i), **the effective date of the DCRSMP for Douglas County is August 27, 2009.**

<sup>1</sup> WAC 173-26-120(7)(b)(i)



As a reminder, shoreline procedural rules<sup>2</sup> require the County to publish a notice that Ecology has taken final action on this amendment. Therefore, as noted in your August 25, 2009 letter, please be sure to publish a public notice as this will initiate an appeal period that lasts 60 days for Growth Management Act compliant counties.

Finally, please forward two clean hard copies and one digital copy of the final amendment to Ecology.

**To summarize, please:**

1. Publish a notice that Ecology has taken final action. This notice will begin a 60-day appeal period.
2. Forward two hard copies and one digital copy of the final amendment to Ecology.

Thank you again for your efforts. If you have any questions, please contact our regional planner Clynda Case at [clca461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:clca461@ecy.wa.gov) or (509) 457-7125.

Sincerely,



Peter Skowlund  
Shoreline Planning Policy Lead

Enclosures

cc: Clynda Case, Ecology Central Regional Office  
Jeff Lewis, Ecology Central Regional Office  
Gordon White, Ecology HQ SEA Program Director  
Interested Parties

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<sup>2</sup> WAC 173-26-120(9)