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CITY OF MOSES LAKE

The Honorable Todd Voth
City of Moses Lake
401 South Balsam Street
PO Box 1579
Moses Lake, WA 98837

**Re: City of Moses Lake Comprehensive Shoreline Master Program Update –
Conditional Approval, Ordinance Number 2732**

Dear Mayor Voth:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the City of Moses Lake (City) for its efforts in developing the proposed comprehensive Shoreline Master Program (SMP) update. The SMP will provide a framework to guide development and habitat restoration along the City's shorelines.

As we have already discussed with your staff and the city council, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has identified specific changes necessary to make the proposal approvable. These changes, along with recommended changes and detailed rationale for each change are detailed in Attachment B. The findings and conclusions that support Ecology's decision are contained in Attachment A. Attachment C constitutes Ecology's response to public comments received during the state comment period, as well as a discussion of outstanding issues from the City comment period.

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

- Agree to the proposed changes (required and/or recommended 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 developed by Ecology and with the Shoreline Management Act.

Final Ecology approval will occur when the City and Ecology agree on language that meets statutory and Guideline requirements.



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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
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Ecology appreciates the dedicated work that the City Council, City staff (Rob White), the Planning Commission and the community 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, Jeremy Sikes, at Jeremy.Sikes@ecy.wa.gov/(509) 329-3426.

Sincerely,



Maia D. Bellon
Director

Enclosures

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