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January 24, 2018

The Honorable Robert Putaansuu  
City of Port Orchard  
216 Prospect Street  
Port Orchard, WA 98366

**Re: City of Port Orchard Shoreline Master Program Amendment – Conditional Approval, Ordinances 031-16, 032-16, 011-17**

Dear Mayor Putaansuu:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the City of Port Orchard (City) for its efforts in developing the proposed amendments to the Shoreline Master Program (SMP). It is obvious that a significant effort was invested by your staff. The amendments make changes to the City's SMP in order to clarify nonconforming uses and structure provisions, address redevelopment of shoreline properties and making certain clarifications and corrections related to SMP implementation. We have completed our review of the proposal for consistency with the Shoreline Management Act and implementing guidelines.

As we have already discussed with your staff, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) identified specific changes necessary to make the proposal approvable. These required changes are detailed in Attachment B. Ecology's findings and conclusions related to the City's proposed SMP amendment are contained in Attachment A.

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 developed by Ecology and with the Shoreline Management Act.

Final Ecology approval will occur after the City responds to Ecology communicating the City's decision on the required changes. Ecology's final approval will be in the form of a letter, and will be sent upon receipt of the City's written notification that the required changes are acceptable to the City, or after the City and Ecology have reached an agreement on alternative language that meets the 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:

WA State Department of Ecology  
Attention: Director's Office  
PO Box 47600  
Olympia, WA 98504-6700

Thank you again for your efforts to continue to improve the City's SMP. We look forward to receiving your written response and concluding this SMP amendment in the near future. If you have any questions or would like to discuss Ecology's proposed changes, please contact our regional planner, Misty Blair, at [Misty.Blair@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Misty.Blair@ecy.wa.gov)/(425) 649-4309.

Sincerely,



Maia D. Bellon  
Director

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