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October 11, 2021

The Honorable Jay McGowan City of Cle Elum 119 West First Street Cle Elum, WA 98922

Re: Final Ecology Approval of the City of Cle Elum Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review Amendment

Dear Mayor McGowan:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is pleased to announce final approval of the Cle Elum Shoreline Master Program (SMP) periodic review amendment. Ecology finds the City of Cle Elum's (City) program consistent with the policy and procedural requirements of the Shoreline Management Act (RCW 90.58) and its implementing rules.

Ecology approves the City SMP amendment as submitted.

The enclosed Attachment A, Findings and Conclusions document, provides more information about our decision. This is Ecology's final action and there will be no further modifications to the proposal.

The amendments adopted by this action conclude the City's periodic review under RCW 90.58.080(4). Ecology's approval affirms the amendments are consistent with the applicable provisions of the SMA and its implementing rules, including periodic review requirements of WAC 173-26-090.

The SMP is effective 14 days from the date of this letter. This period, established by the state legislature, intended to provide lead-time for the City to prepare to implement the amended SMP.

Ecology is required to publish a newspaper notice that the City's SMP has received final approval. The publication of this notice, in the form of a legal ad, will begin a 60-day appeal period. We will provide a copy of the legal ad to the City for its amendment record.

Please send Ecology a final clean copy version of the complete approved SMP that includes the amendment changes.

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If you have any questions, please contact our Regional Planner at <u>Chelsea.Benner@ecy.wa.gov</u> or 509-454-3619.

Yours Truly,

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