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January 31, 2020

Dow Constantine King County Executive 401 Fifth Avenue, Suite 800 Seattle, WA 98104

Re: Final Ecology Approval of the King County Shoreline Master Program – Locally Initiated and Periodic Review Amendment – Ordinances 19034, 18767, and 18791

Dear Executive Constantine:

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

Ecology approves the County's 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 County'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 amended SMP is effective 14 days from the date of this letter. This time period was established by the state legislature and is intended to provide lead time for the County to prepare to implement the amended SMP.

Ecology is required to publish a newspaper notice that the County'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 County for its records.

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If you have any questions, please contact our SMA Policy Lead, Misty Blair, at Misty.Blair@ecy.wa.gov or (425) 649-4309.

Sincerely,

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Director

Enclosure

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