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August 20, 2015

The Honorable Dean Grafos
City of Spokane Valley
11707 EAST Sprague Ave, Suite 106
Spokane Valley, WA 99206

Re: Final Ecology Approval of City of Spokane Valley's Comprehensive Shoreline Master Program Update

Dear Mayor Grafos:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is pleased to announce final approval of the City of Spokane Valley's (City) Shoreline Master Program (SMP) update. Congratulations to you, the Planning Commission, the Community Development Department staff, and the Spokane Valley community for completing this comprehensive update. Ecology finds the City's SMP is consistent with the policy and procedural requirements of the Shoreline Management Act of 1971 and the SMP Guidelines.

Ecology, therefore, approves the City's comprehensive SMP update 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 SMP is effective 14 days from the date of this letter. This 14-day period was established by legislative action in 2011 and is intended to provide lead time for the City to prepare to implement the new 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 records.

If you have any questions, please contact our regional planner, Jaime Short, at (509) 329-3411 or Jaime.short@ecy.wa.gov

Sincerely,

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Director

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cc: Lori Barlow, City of Spokane Valley



