OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION 79 -2023

A resolution of the Okanogan County Board of County Commissioners announcing their intent to adopt a revised Shoreline Master Program consistent with the periodic review requirements of the Shoreline Management Act (RCW 90.58.080(4)) following transmittal of the Shoreline Master Program and supporting records to the Department of Ecology for review and adoption.

WHEREAS, Okanogan County has an adopted Shoreline Master Program (SMP) pursuant to RCW 90.58 (Shoreline Management Act), and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature amended the Shoreline Management Act (RCW 90.58.080(4)) to require that all cities, towns and counties with shoreline areas review and update their local SMPs every 7 years to ensure that shoreline regulations are consistent with amendments to the statute during that time period, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature also provided grant funds and directed the Department of Ecology to administer a grant program and develop guidelines to assist local government in their efforts to comply with the amendments to RCW 90.58, and

WHEREAS, the County received a grant to update its Shoreline Master Program (SMP). In the late summer of 2022, the County initiated a public process, which included, a County SMP website, Power Point presentations, and a community survey, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission functioned as a Shoreline Advisory Committee as part of SMP update process, and

WHEREAS, during development of the updated SMP, the Planning Commission received updates on the planning process and important issues related to shoreline management planning, and

WHEREAS, a draft of the updated SMP was released for a 30-day informal review process prior to the Planning Commission's Public Hearing, and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments affect the all lands lying with 200 feet on a horizontal plane from the Ordinary High-Water Mark and those portions of zoning districts that lie within shoreline jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, a SEPA determination of non-significance was issued June 6, 2023 resulting in no appeals or comments received, and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments to the Okanogan SMP are consistent with the intent, goals and policies of the Shoreline Management Act, and

WHEREAS, Public Notice requirements regarding the June 26, 2023 public hearing on the updated SMP have been completed. The affidavit of publication for said notice is attached and incorporated herein, and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners are announcing their intent to adopt a revised Shoreline Master Program consistent with the periodic review requirements of the Shoreline Management Act (RCW 90.58.080(4)) following transmittal of the Shoreline Master Program and supporting records to the Department of Ecology for review and adoption.

DATED at Okanogan, Washington this day of da