

RESOLUTION #10-470

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF TWISP,
WASHINGTON, ANNOUNCING ITS INTENT TO ADOPT AN UPDATED SHORELINE
MASTER PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the TOWN OF TWISP has an adopted Shoreline Master Program (SMP) pursuant to RCW 90.58 (Shoreline Management Act); and

WHEREAS, in 2003 the State Legislature amended the Shoreline Management Act to require that all cities, towns and counties with shoreline areas review and update their local SMPs to insure that shoreline regulations will not allow for a net loss in the ecological function of shoreline areas by the year 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature provided "early adopter" 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 TOWN joined with the cities of Brewster, Pateros and Okanogan and Okanogan County in submitting "early adopter" grant requests in 2005 with the belief that it is better to be proactive and address important issues while there are 100% grant funds available; and

WHEREAS, said grant requests were approved and the TOWN joined with Okanogan County and the other communities to develop a new Regional Shoreline Master Program for the County and incorporated communities therein; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 2006, the TOWN participated in the public process (both the Shoreline Advisory and Technical Advisory Committees) managed by Okanogan County as part of SMP preparation and review; and

WHEREAS, during development of the Okanogan County Regional SMP, from 2006 through 2009, the TWISP Planning Commission received monthly updates on the planning process and important issues related to shoreline management planning; and

WHEREAS, beginning in January 2010, the TOWN along with the cities of Oroville, Tonasket, Okanogan, Brewster and Pateros and the towns of Twisp and Winthrop, using grant funds from Ecology, began preparation of the Okanogan County Cities and Towns Regional Shoreline Master Program using the draft Regional SMP prepared by Okanogan County with comments from the Department of Ecology as the model; and

WHEREAS, throughout the winter and spring of 2010, the TWISP Planning Commission, acting as the TOWN's Shoreline Advisory Committee, conducted a chapter by chapter review of the SMP during their regular monthly meetings; and

WHEREAS, the result was the preparation of a TOWN OF TWISP specific Shoreline Master Program closed linked to the Okanogan County Cities and Towns Regional Shoreline Master Program; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held two public workshops on May 12 and 19th, 2010, and solicited comments at an open regular meeting on May 26th with the public in attendance to give comment.

WHEREAS the TOWN COUNCIL opened a public hearing on June 8th, 2010; no public testimony was offered with no public present, and a discussion of the updated SMP occurred; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has recommended to the TOWN Council that the Council approve a Resolution of Intent to Adopt the updated SMP once the required Ecology and formal public processes have been completed.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TWISP DOES RESOLVE THE FOLLOWING:

Section 1. That the TOWN Council intends to adopt an updated Shoreline Master Program for the TOWN OF TWISP following completion of required Ecology and public review processes .

PASSED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TWISP, WASHINGTON, THIS 22nd day June 2010.

APPROVED:



William A. Boosman, Mayor

ATTEST:



Colleen G. Storms, Clerk/Treasurer