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Dear Mr. Kern and Mr. Brooks:

This letter is in response to John Kern's letter dated November 24, 2009, regarding the City of Bainbridge Island shoreline restoration projects partially funded by the Elliot Bay Trustee Council with natural resource damage assessment (NRDA) settlement funds. These projects include the Strawberry Plant Park Restoration project and the two Pritchard Park Restoration Projects (West Rip-Rap and East Bluff). We've appreciated your patience while the City has worked through community issues related to the shoreline restoration projects. It is our intention to move forward with construction of all three of these projects by fall 2010, or spring 2011 at the latest.

At the December 2, 2009 City Council meeting, the City Council approved a motion regarding the Strawberry Plant Park Shoreline Restoration Project (5 in favor and 1 abstention) to move forward with 90% design, bidding and construction in fall 2010 or spring 2011, and to make a good faith effort consistent with the shoreline restoration goals to 1) seek design features that allow for reasonable access to the shoreline and 2) potentially lengthen the ramp for launching non-motorized boats. The intention of this motion is to consider these community concerns during the 90% design, without

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jeopardizing project funding or further delaying the construction project. City staff will work with our consultant, Anchor QEA, to consider if and how the approved 30% design might be adjusted to further address these two community concerns.

With respect to the timelines for each of the City's shoreline restoration projects, staff has outlined the following schedules in order to meet the construction goal of fall 2010. We have been granted an extension to December 2010 for the Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB) grant for Pritchard Park East Bluff, and will be seeking an extension for the

SFRB design grant for the Strawberry Plant Park Shoreline Restoration Project in order to meet the revised schedule.

Proposed Project Schedules:

Strawberry Plant Park Restoration

April 2010	Complete 90% design
May 12, 13 & 14, 2010	Complete 100% design and obtain approval of the City Council, Park Board and Elliot Bay Trustee Council
May 2010	Advertise bid
June 2010	Open bids
July 2010	Council approval of bid package
August 2010	Begin construction

West Rip Rap Restoration

March 2010	Complete permitting
April 2010	Complete 90% design
May 12, 13 & 14, 2010	Complete 100% design and obtain approval of the City Council, Park Board and Elliot Bay Trustee Council
May 2010	Advertise bid
June 2010	Open bids
July 2010	Council approval of bid package
August 2010	Begin construction

East Bluff Phase II Restoration

January 27, 28 & 29, 2010	30% design approval of City Council, Park Board and Elliott Bay Trustee Council
February 2010	Submit permits
April 2010	Complete permitting
April 2010	Complete 90% design

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East Bluff Phase II Restoration (continued)

May 12, 13 & 14, 2010	Complete 100% design and approval of the City Council, Park Board and Elliot Bay Trustee Council
May-June 2010	Advertise bid
June-July 2010	Open bids
July-August 2010	Council approval of bid package
August- Sept 2010	Begin construction

We appreciate your efforts, as well as the support of the Elliot Bay Trustee Council, in funding and moving these worthwhile projects toward reality.

Sincerely,



Chris Snow
Mayor

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Lance Newkirk, Acting Public Works Director
Chris Wierzbicki, Acting City Engineer
Kathy Cook, Planning Director
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