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Chris Liu, Director Washington State Department of **Enterprise Services** 1500 Jefferson Street SE Olympia, WA 98501

RE: Capitol Lake/Deschutes Estuary

Dear Mr. Liu:

On behalf of the Lacey City Council, thank you for the invitation to participate in the executive work group to develop a long-term plan for management of the Capitol Lake/Deschutes Estuary and Lower Budd Inlet/Deschutes River watershed.

We realize and understand the depth of this project as outlined in HB1115. At this time, however, the City of Lacey respectively declines the invitation to participate in the Capitol Lake/Deschutes Estuary Work Group. The City may reconsider its position if the LOTT Clean Water Alliance, which Lacey founded along with Thurston County and the Cities of Olympia and Tumwater, is being asked to help in any mitigation efforts as an outcome of the final plan.

Again, thank you for extending the invitation. We wish you great success on this Capitol Lake project.

Sincerely,

Andy Ryder

Mayor





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