

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office:	Agenda date	Assigned to:
Originator: Harris		7/21			
Division Head:				8/1	Council
Dept. Head:					
Prosecutor:					
Purchasing/Budget:					
Executive:					

SUBJECT:

Resolution setting the Drayton Harbor Watershed Shellfish Protection District response plan.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Please complete sections of box as appropriate & explain the item below.

Related County contract #: N/A	Should Clerk schedule a hearing? NO / X / YES / / Requested date:
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The proposed resolution will provide guidance to the Administration in proceeding with dealing with the problems in Drayton Harbor. RCW 90.72.045 which required the establishment of a Shellfish Protection District also requires the establishment of a program to address the problems.

CLERK'S RECOMMENDED MOTION (for final action):

"I move that the Council approve the resolution."

COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN:

8/1/95: Amended, Approved 7-0

Related File Numbers:

Ordinance or Resolution Number (this item only): RES. 95-045

SPONSORED BY: HARRIS

PROPOSED BY: HARRIS

INTRODUCTION DATE: 8/1/95

1 RESOLUTION NO. 95-045

2 DRAYTON HARBOR WATERSHED SHELLFISH PROTECTION DISTRICT
3 WATER QUALITY RECOVERY PLAN

4 WHEREAS, in response to the letter from Council Chair Imhof requesting specific
5 information regarding the conditions necessary to upgrade the status of Drayton Harbor, the
6 Department of Ecology has responded with specific requirements necessary to secure the
7 return of Drayton Harbor to an approved status; and

8 WHEREAS, federal guidelines require that water quality, shoreline contamination
9 sources, and hydrographic analysis of Drayton Harbor be found acceptable in order to justify
10 an upgrade in status; and

11 WHEREAS, RCW 90.72.03 states that "program(s) shall include any elements
12 deemed appropriate to deal with the non-point pollution threatening water quality..."; and

13 WHEREAS, the memorandum titled Drayton Harbor Shellfish Protection District
14 Program Analysis from Planning and Development Services dated June 26, 1995 confirms
15 that "Considerable work has been done in the Initial Closure Response Strategy and the
16 Drayton Harbor Watershed Management Plan";

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Whatcom County Council that the
18 following goals and objectives shall be included in the plan to address the problems within
19 the Drayton Harbor watershed:

- 20 1) Prevention of any further degradation and contamination of Drayton Harbor.
- 21 2) Implementing actions which will lead to a removal of the State Department of Health
22 shellfish downgrade of Drayton Harbor.
- 23 3) Coordinating County actions with those of other state and local agencies.
- 24 4) Designing and implementing a County program which addresses these areas identified
25 as "high priority" for the County in the Drayton Harbor Shellfish District Program Analysis:
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- 1 Public Education & Involvement *Cooperative Extension*
- 2 Stormwater
- 3 Watershed Drainage and Culvert Monitoring *Flood Control Zone District*
- 4 Development Standards Enforcement *Planning & Devel. Services*
- 5 On-Site Sewage
- 6 Continued Sanitary Surveys *Health*
- 7 Enforcement of Septic Laws *Health*
- 8 Required Sewer Hook-Up in Special Areas *Health*
- 9 Required Septic Maintenance in Special Areas *Health*
- 10 Farm Management Practices *Cooperative Extension*
- 11 General
- 12 Develop financial incentives/assistance programs
- 13 that can help individuals bear costs associated with
- 14 correcting problems regarding septic systems,
- 15 sewer hook-up, and instituting best management
- 16 farm practices, etc. *Health*

17 5) Seek necessary technical assistance from the state Department of Ecology, State
 18 Department of Health, and other available agencies and sources.

19 APPROVED this 1 day of August, 1995

20 WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
 21 ATTEST: WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

22 *Dana Brown-Davis*
 23 *for* Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

Robert A. Imhof
 Robert A. Imhof, Council Chair

24 APPROVED AS TO FORM: Approved () Denied

25 *Daniel L. Gibson*
 26 Civil Deputy Prosecutor
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