

RESOLUTION NO.

70-94

IN THE MATTER OF:

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE NORTH BAY/CASE INLET WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY PLAN WHICH PROVIDES A RECOMMENDED SOLUTION TO THE WATER QUALITY PROBLEMS IN NORTH BAY. THE GOALS OF THIS PLAN ARE TO REDUCE CONTAMINATION OF SHELLFISH BEDS IN NORTH BAY SUFFICIENTLY TO ALLOW RE-OPENING AND TO PROTECT WATER QUALITY AND PREVENT CONTAMINATION OF COMMERCIAL AND RECREATIONAL SHELLFISH AREAS SO THAT SHELLFISH ARE SAFE FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION.

WHEREAS, in 1988 and 1989 water quality studies documented high fecal coliform counts in North Bay which exceeded the limits for Class AA waters in the State of Washington;

WHEREAS, in April 1991, the State Department of Health declared the North Bay/Case Inlet area of Mason County a severe public health hazard;

WHEREAS, in May 1991, North Bay, one of the primary shellfish growing areas in Puget Sound, was closed to commercial shellfish harvesting which has been reopened on a restrictive and conditionally approved basis;

WHEREAS, the recommended approach to achieve these goals is to eliminate on-site sewage disposal systems within the drainage basin around North Bay;

WHEREAS, the proposed method for solving the water quality problems is by construction of a collection and treatment system along with effluent disposal by land application;

WHEREAS, the North Bay/Case Inlet Wastewater Advisory Committee has recommended a sewer system of the type proposed in the plan;

WHEREAS, the Department of Ecology has approved the North Bay/Case Inlet Wastewater Treatment Facility Plan;

WHEREAS, Mason County is required to adopt this plan per State Revolving Fund Loan regulations and per DOE approval;

WHEREAS, numerous public meetings and workshops have been held within the effected area;

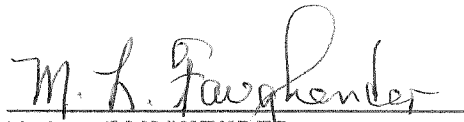
WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing on July 19, 1994, to consider the adoption of the North Bay/Case Inlet Wastewater Treatment Facility Plan;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED, that the Board of Mason County Commissioners hereby adopts the North Bay/Case Inlet

Wastewater Treatment Facility Plan subject to the clarification that by approving the document does not mean that the Board is agreeing to include the service areas as described. The funding available and how it effects the costs to be paid for by those within the service areas still needs to be determined. The applicable grants and loans need to provide sufficient funding whereby the hookup and monthly rates are reasonable and acceptable. The funding decisions made by FHA and the availability of Centennial Clean Water funds will have a direct impact on what areas are to be served, the construction schedule and financing obligations along with the hookup rate and monthly fee structure.

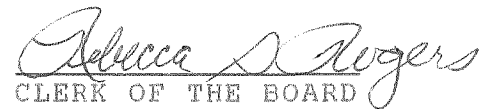
DATED this 19th day of July, 1994.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON


M.L. FAUGHENDER
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

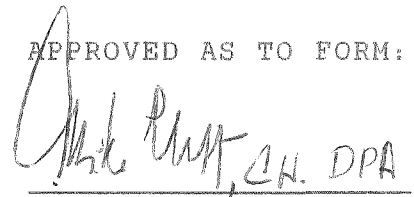
Absent
LAURA E. PORTER
COMMISSIONER


CLERK OF THE BOARD


WILLIAM O. HUNTER
COMMISSIONER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

c: Auditor
Treasurer
Community Development
Central Services/Admin.


PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
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