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## RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE

September 8, 2021

Paul West City of Mercer Island 9611 SE 36<sup>th</sup> Street Mercer Island, WA 98040-3732

RE: Request for Approval of an Exception to Conversion – Temporary Closure

Boat Launch, RCO #89-018D; #91-120D

Dear Mr. West:

The Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) has completed review of the request for an exception to conversion for a temporary closure of a portion of the boat launch. The closure is due to King County's North Mercer Enatai Interceptor wastewater project to replace existing sewer lines to use of a portion of the boat launch for staging. The temporary closure of a portion of the boat launch parking area is scheduled to begin November 2021 and will end in October 2023. The temporary closure will not exceed a total of a 24-month period.

This approval is conditioned on the following:

- The exception will have no permanent impact to the intended purpose, use, and function of the project area.
- Signage will be installed to alert the public to the closure and will provide information and directions to nearby boat and trailer parking areas.
- The boat launch will remain open to the public for recreational boating use.
- The closure will be limited to a portion of the boat launch parking lot and will occur as described in the request.
- The project area impacted will be restored to its original or better surface condition when the staging area is vacated.

If conditions change regarding the approved exception including any changes to the proposed scheduled closure timeframe, please notify DeAnn Beck, outdoor grants manager immediately so that a determination can be made on the effect on the funded property or project area. If you have any questions, DeAnn can be reached at <a href="mailto:deann.beck@rco.wa.gov">deann.beck@rco.wa.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Myra Barker

Myra Barker Compliance Specialist

cc: DeAnn Beck, RCO