

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING THE)
ISLAND COUNTY WATER)
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN) RESOLUTION C-___-05**

WHEREAS, Chapter 90.82 Revised Code of Washington (RCW) states that the legislature finds that the local development of watershed plans for managing water resources and for protecting existing water rights is vital to both state and local interests and that the purpose of Watershed Planning is to develop a more thorough and cooperative method of determining what the current water resource situation is in each water resource inventory area of the state and to provide local citizens with the maximum possible input concerning their goals and objectives for water resource management and development; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of Island County for an Island County Watershed Plan to be developed which meets the intent of Chapter 90.82 RCW; and

WHEREAS, effective management of water resources is necessary to provide safe and adequate drinking water for the citizens of Island County, and

WHEREAS, the development of the Island County Water Resource Management Plan was funded through the Washington State Watershed Planning Act Chapter 90.82 RCW; and

WHEREAS, the acceptance of Washington State Watershed Planning Act Chapter 90.82 RCW funding for the development of the Island County Water Resource Management Plan was authorized by BICC Resolution #C-89-00, R-44-00; and

WHEREAS, the Island County Water Resource Management Plan has been developed by the Island County Water Resource Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Island County Health Department has assisted in development of the Island County Water Resource Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, four public open house events were held to obtain public input in Oak Harbor, Coupeville, Bayview, and on Camano Island as part of the public participation requirements of Chapter 90.82 RCW; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Planning Unit for Island County (consisting of the Island County Water Resource Advisory Committee, the City of Oak Harbor, the Town of Coupeville, the City of Langley, and the State Department of

Ecology) had opportunity to review and comment on the Island County Water Resource Management Plan and submit letters of concurrence and approval; and

WHEREAS, the Island County Water Resource Management Plan has been reviewed for SEPA compliance in accordance with RCW 43.21.C; and

WHEREAS, the Island County Planning Department issued a SEPA DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE for the Island County Water Resource Management Plan on June 2, 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Island County Commissioners that the Island County Water Resource Management Plan is approved and adopted.

Resolution No._____ **ADOPTED** this ____ day of _____, 2005 following a public hearing.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Mike Shelton, Chairman

William J. Byrd, Member

Wm. L. McDowell, Member

ATTEST:

Elaine Marlow
Clerk of the Board