

RESOLUTION NO. 19-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CHEHALIS, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING ALTERNATIVE 1 OF THE CHEHALIS BASIN STRATEGY DRAFT PROGRAMMATIC STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AS THE PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE.

WHEREAS, the City of Chehalis has been a longstanding leader in promoting a basin-wide strategy to improve flood protection and adopted a resolution on February 22, 2010 to support, along with the Governor's Office, the coordinated study of retention and levees; which became the Chehalis Basin Strategy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chehalis is significantly impacted by the flooding of the Chehalis River and the decision making process related to the Chehalis Basin Strategy; and

WHEREAS, a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for the Chehalis Basin Strategy was prepared by the Washington State Department of Ecology; and

WHEREAS, the Chehalis Basin Strategy PEIS includes the study of four alternatives, as well as the impacts of "no action," to improve flood protection and aquatic species habitat enhancement within the Chehalis River Basin; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chehalis appreciates the work done to study the alternatives and commends all of those involved in the preparation of the PEIS, including the Governor's Office and the Governor's Working Group; and

WHEREAS, the City supports Alternative 1 (as identified in the PEIS), which sets forth the most beneficial combination of flood protection and aquatic species enhancement in the Chehalis River Basin with the least adverse impacts to the communities within the Basin;

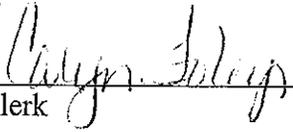
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Chehalis hereby recommends and supports the implementation of Alternative 1 as identified in the PEIS.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the city of Chehalis, Washington, and **APPROVED** by its Mayor, at a regularly scheduled open public meeting thereof this 21st day of October, 2016.

Dennis L. Darves

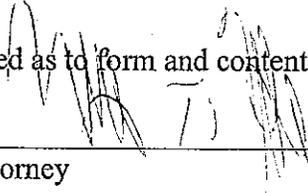
Mayor

Attest:



City Clerk

Approved as to form and content:



City Attorney