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**SUBJECT: NPDES WASTE DISCHARGE PERMIT (WA0021130),
CITY OF GRANITE FALLS, SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON
G&O #21524.00**

Dear Mr. Leung:

As you are aware, the City’s NPDES Waste Discharge Permit (WA0021130) requires the City to submit engineering plans regarding phosphorous, temperature and BOD₅ as it relates to the Pilchuck River TMDL and the City’s wastewater treatment plant. Per the NPDES permit, these plans are due on May 31, 2022. As we discussed during our meeting on November 8, 2021, the City would like to request an extension to this deadline due to the fact that the TMDL was not issued until December 2020, four months after the City’s NPDES permit was issued. Gray & Osborne has since prepared a draft Tier II Analysis which addresses these water quality related parameters. Based upon your comments, this Analysis will be revised and resubmitted.

As seen in Table 1, we propose the following schedule for revising the *Tier II Analysis*, submitting an amendment to the 2018 *Wastewater Facilities Plan* and submittal of future engineering plans.

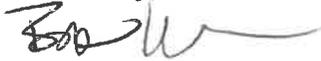
**TABLE 1
WWTP Engineering Plan Schedule**

Task	Date
Tier II revisions submitted to Ecology	January 21, 2022
Tier II revisions reviewed by Ecology	February 14, 2022
WW Facilities Plan Amendment turned into Ecology	February 28, 2022
WW Facilities Plan Amendment reviewed by Ecology	March 31, 2022
City advertises for engineer	December 1, 2021
Engineering contract in place	January 31, 2022
WWTP engineering plans: 90% submittal to Ecology	January 31, 2023
WWTP engineering plans: 100% submittal to Ecology	March 31, 2023

Task	Date
WWTP engineering plans: Ecology review of 100% plans	May 31, 2023
Construction begins	Summer 2023

Based upon the tentative schedule shown above, we respectfully request that the deadline for submitting 90 percent engineering plans and specifications to Ecology be extended from May 31, 2022 to March 31, 2023. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns related to this request.

Sincerely,



Brent Kirk
City Manager
City of Granite Falls