

CLALLAM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3
RESOLUTION NO. 2020 04

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY - COVID-19

WHEREAS: On January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar declared a public health emergency for COVID-19, beginning on January 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS: On February 29, 2020 Governor Jay Inslee issued Proclamation 20-05 Declaring a State of Emergency in all counties of the State of Washington to address the impacts of COVID-19;

WHEREAS: On March 13, 2020 President Donald Trump Declared a National Emergency relating to COVID-19;

WHEREAS: The Washington State outbreak of COVID-19 and the effects of its extreme risk of person-to-person transmission throughout Clallam County and Washington State significantly impacts the life and health of our customers and District employees and constitutes a public emergency that affects life, health, and property;

WHEREAS: The Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 3 Board of Commissioners has determined that the impacts of Covid-19 on the District its residents and employees requires that the Board declare a state of emergency; and,

WHEREAS: The Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 3 Board of Commissioners has determined that in order to address the emergency, the District Fire Chief or designee requires the flexibility to make procurement, staffing and other decisions that may exceed the prior authority delegated by the Board to the Fire Chief.

Resolution: NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 3 that:

1. It is hereby declared that there is an emergency due to the COVID-19 spread in Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 3;
2. The Fire Chief or designee should have full authority to take all necessary actions to protect the District's residents and employees during such period as the declared Covid-19 emergency exists in Clallam County;
3. Without limiting the foregoing grant of authority, the Fire Chief or designee is specifically authorized to combat such emergency and to protect the health and safety of persons and property by taking the following nonexclusive actions without additional authorization of the Board of Commissioners and without regard to limits previously established by the Board of Commissioners:

- a. Enter into contracts, incur obligations and make necessary expenditures in excess of policy and budgetary limits,
 - b. Waive the requirements of competitive bidding when necessary,
 - c. Employ temporary workers and make staffing and scheduling decisions as necessary.
4. As soon as feasible, the Board will be notified any time action is taken under this resolution.
5. Board reserves the right to, at any time, rescind the authority granted under this resolution, should it deem necessary to do so

Adoption: ADOPTED at an open public meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 3 on March 20th, 2020 the following Commissioners being present and voting:



Commissioner



Commissioner



Commissioner



Secretary