

April 17, 2019

Fire Chief Ben Andrews  
Clallam County FPD 3  
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**RESPONSE DUE DATE: May 17, 2019**

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Washington Surveying and Rating Bureau (WSRB) has completed its evaluation of the fire protection capabilities of your community as they relate to fire insurance rating. The current Protection Classifications (PC) for the City of Sequim and Clallam County Fire Protection District 3 are PC 4 and 5 respectively.

WSRB has identified the following area of concern during this evaluation that could have a negative effect on the PC ratings for some properties in your community.

Properties within 5 road miles of only Fire Station 35 will receive a PC 9 rating due to this station currently only having 4 volunteer firefighters living within 5 road miles of the station.

I anticipate that you may have some questions regarding the evaluation. I would be happy to address any questions and can be reached through the phone number or email address below. WSRB supports your efforts to improve the fire insurance rating of your community. If you believe it is possible to address the conditions that contributed to the decline in Protection Class, please contact me immediately. It may be possible to postpone the implementation of the new Protection Class Rating if your community can provide an acceptable improvement plan.

If we have not heard from you within 30 days from the date of this letter that you wish to provide additional information, meet to discuss this issue or propose a Protection Class improvement plan, we will publish the Protection Class changes detailed above.

This survey was not conducted for property loss prevention or for life safety purposes. The purpose was to gather information needed to determine a fire insurance relevant Public Protection Classification that may be used to develop fire insurance rates or loss costs. Our evaluation criteria incorporate many national recognized standards, such as those developed by NFPA and AWWA, and has been filed with and approved by the Washington State Office of Insurance Commissioner.

Sincerely,

