

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF STEVENS COUNTY WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF A LOCAL) RESOLUTION NO. 60-2015
DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY)
DUE TO FIRES THROUGHOUT) DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
THE COUNTY)

WHEREAS, Stevens County Emergency Management Director Jim Caruso has consulted with Stevens County Sheriff/Fire Marshall Kendle Allen and reported to the Board of County Commissioners that actual and potential losses are resulting due to numerous out-of-control wild fires and structure fires throughout the county; and,

WHEREAS, there is a red flag warning for Stevens County issued by National Weather Service and DNR has issued a grounding order for all aircraft due to wind conditions; and,

WHEREAS, fires throughout the county are threatening homes, businesses, livestock and pets, county roads and private roads as well as to electrical and telephone infrastructure; and,

WHEREAS, all fire resources throughout the county have been called out via a mutual aid "all call" and more resources are needed; and,

WHEREAS, persons and property are and will be damaged unless further efforts are taken to reduce the threat to life and property; and,

WHEREAS, there is a present emergency which necessitates activation of the Stevens County disaster preparedness plan and utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to RCW 36.40180 and RCW 38.52.070(2).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED


Section 1. It is hereby declared by the Board of Stevens County Commissioners that there is an emergency due to the extensive fires and weather conditions in Stevens County. Therefore, designated departments are authorized to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such disaster, protecting the health and safety of persons and property and providing emergency assistance to the victims of such disaster.

Section 2. Each designated department is authorized to exercise the powers vested under Section 1 of this resolution in the light of the exigencies of an extreme emergency situation without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements).

Passed by the Board of Stevens County Commissioners meeting in emergency session at Colville, Washington, at 8:05 p.m. by the following vote, then signed by its membership and attested to by its Clerk in authorization of such passage the 14th day of August, 2015.

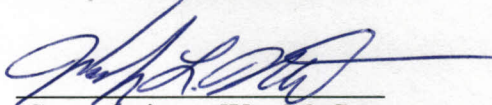
3 YEA; 0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; and 0 ABSENT

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF STEVENS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Commissioner Wes McCart