

ORDINANCE NO. 438

ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROHIBITING THE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS IN THE TIGER AND PANTHER LAKES AREA OF MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AND PRESCRIBING A MISDEMEANOR FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

WHEREAS, request has been made to the Board of Mason County Commissioners to prohibit the discharge of firearms in the area around Tiger and Panther Lakes in Mason County, Washington; the boundaries of said prohibited area being as follows:

"No discharge of firearms shall be allowed on these bodies of water and/or near the shorelines thereof. Near shall be defined as on the water side of the County Roads that encircle Tiger and Panther Lakes;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the Revised Code of Washington, Sections 36.32.120, sub-paragraph 7, the County Commissioners are empowered to make and enforce by appropriate Ordinance, such police regulations as are not in conflict with State Law, as the Board of County Commissioners may deem necessary for the general welfare and protection of the citizens of Mason County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Mason County Commissioners:

Section 1. From and after the effective date of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful to discharge any firearms whatsoever within the above-described area of Mason County, Washington, EXCEPT as follows:

- (a) For the slaughter of livestock by general farmers as required; and
- (b) For purposes of using private shooting ranges which have been approved by the Board of County Commissioners; and
- (c) For the control of predators to prevent losses to crops and livestock if such discharge of firearms shall not constitute a hazard; and
- (d) For the protection of life and property.

Section 2. Any person violating this Ordinance shall be guilty of  
a MISDEMEANOR.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Mason County Commissioners, this  
25<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1974.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON.

Martin Ausetz  
Chairman

William O. Hunter

John Barickman

ATTEST:

Ruth E. Lyden  
Auditor & Clerk of the Board.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Byron E. McClanahan  
Mason County Prosecutor.