



DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Before the Board of County Commissioners of Mason County, Washington

In the Matter of)
Declaring a Disaster)

RESOLUTION NO. 24-99

WHEREAS, the Mason County Department of Emergency Management has reported to the Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, that beginning with the season's first flooding of November 12, 1998, unusually heavy and warm rains, melting snow pack, and super saturated soils have caused rivers, lakes, and streams to rise throughout Mason County; and

WHEREAS, extensive damage has occurred and is still occurring due to flooding and mudslides affecting Public Utilities, roads, homes, businesses and farm lands; 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 have been and continue to be emergencies present necessitating activation of the Mason County Emergency Operations Plan and utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to RCW 38.52 and County Ordinance No. 19-99; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

SECTION 1

That it is hereby declared that there is an emergency/disaster due to the prolonged conditions in Mason County; therefore, designated departments are authorized to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such emergency to protect the health and safety of persons and property, and provide 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 demands of an extreme emergency situation without regard to time consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements).

DATED this 2nd day of March, 1999.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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ATTEST:

Diane L Zorn
Clerk of the Board