

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF KITTITAS STATE OF WASHINGTON**

RESOLUTION NO 2012-119

TAYLOR BRIDGE FIRE DISASTER CLEAN UP

WHEREAS: The Kittitas County Board of County Commissioners declared the Taylor Bridge Fire an Emergency on August 14, 2012, necessitating activation of the Kittitas County Disaster Preparedness Plan and utilization of emergency powers pursuant to RCW 36.40.180 and RCW 38.52.070(2). The commissioners have determined that the debris from the Taylor Bridge Fire poses a threat to life, public health and safety; and

WHEREAS: The fire destroyed 61 homes in Kittitas County within the impact zone and the commissioners have determined that to promote the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Kittitas County, it is in the best interests of the County and its citizens to assist in economic recovery in this area by providing dumpsters and waving disposal fees for these impacted citizens; and

WHEREAS: The fire also damaged other homes and outbuildings within the impact zone and the commissioners have determined that to promote the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Kittitas County, it is in the best interests of the County and its citizens to waive all tipping fees for the debris removal for impacted citizens; and

WHEREAS: Upon the recommendation of the Solid Waste Department, the commissioners have determined that to promote the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Kittitas County, it is in the best interests of the County and its citizens for everyone in the impact zone to recycle all metal and concrete, and to work with the County's Solid Waste Department and the County's recycling contractor who will assist residents where needed to remove metal from their property; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That in order to assist with economic recovery following the Taylor Bridge Fire Emergency, the County will provide dumpsters and waive disposal fees for qualifying residents within the impacted area of the Fire Emergency;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That in order to assist with economic recovery following the Taylor Bridge Fire Emergency, the County will waive all tipping fees for debris removal for qualifying residents within the impacted area of the Fire Emergency;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That in order to assist with economic recovery following the Taylor Bridge Fire Emergency, the County Commissioners in collaboration with the County's Solid Waste Department will provide access to the County's recycling contractor to

remove metal from the property of qualified residents within the impacted area of the Fire Emergency;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of County Commissioners declare the County's Taylor Bridge Fire Cleanup Program to operate as follows:

- The County will arrange for delivery, 10-day rental and removal of dumpsters for Fire debris cleanup to properties eligible within the impacted areas that have received "Residential" structural losses.
- All tipping fees for Fire debris removal for eligible property owners within the impacted areas will be waived. The necessary forms for dumpster requests and self-haul customer vouchers can be found on the Kittitas County Website or by contacting Kittitas County Solid Waste at (509) 962-7542.
- The following Fire debris will be accepted: Fire-damaged materials, household goods, furniture, and clothing; spoiled food; and fire-damaged carpets, wallboard, and lumber. This program WILL NOT cover the transportation costs of Contractors or self-hauled waste.
- Fire debris will be accepted in the assigned dumpsters for up to 10 days from the date of delivery and the dumpsters will then be removed. Fire debris vouchers will be accepted at the Kittitas County Transfer Stations through September 30th, 2012.
- Metal and concrete will NOT be accepted in the dumpsters; other recycling options must be utilized for metal and concrete. Metal and concrete that the qualifying resident wishes to have removed from the property should be segregated on the resident's property until different arrangements can be made.
- The following waste types SHALL NOT be disposed of as part of this Fire debris removal program.
 1. Asbestos Containing Waste
 2. Sludge
 3. Stumps or logs over Twelve (12) Feet in diameter
 4. Mud, Dirt, and/or Sod.
 5. Dead Animals
 6. Hazardous Waste
 7. RV's or Vehicles
 8. Electronics
 9. Any other solid waste designated as ineligible by authorized personnel.
- Other restrictions may apply as rules to be followed by the contractors who are designated to remove the Fire debris.

- Qualifying residents who participate in this Fire Cleanup Program will be asked to sign a release of liability before County contractors can remove the designated Fire debris.

DATED THIS 18th day of September, 2012

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON



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Obie O'Brien - Vice Chairman



Paul Jewell - Commissioner



ATTEST:


Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

(Deputy) Prosecuting Attorney