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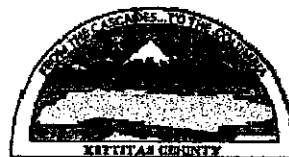
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KITTITAS COUNTY CLAIM FOR DAMAGES

Return to: County Auditor  
205 W 5th, Suite 105  
Ellensburg, WA 98926



Instructions:

Please read the entire form before completion. Fill out each question as completely as possible, to the best of your ability. Do not hesitate to use the back side of this form if you need more than the space provided. An incomplete response may delay the processing of your claim.

1. Name (Including spouse, if married): MR RICHARD P. HANCOCK &  
MRS SHIRLEY J. HANCOCK
2. Date of Birth: 10/27/1945
3. Phone #: (Home): 509 674 5342 (Work): 509 674 7153
4. Address (include former address if at present address for less than 6 months):  
391 NELSON CREEK RD, CLE ELM, WA 98922
5. Date of Incident: 01/07/09 - 01/10/09
6. Location of Incident: 561 PHEASANT PL, CLE ELM, WA 98922

7. Describe in detail the defect which caused the injury: SEE ATTACHED

8. Describe in narrative form and in detail exactly how the incident occurred: SEE ATTACHED

9. Was claim investigated by a police officer? NO

Sheriff \_\_\_\_\_ State Patrol \_\_\_\_\_ City Police \_\_\_\_\_

10. Description of claimant's vehicle: N/A Make \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Model \_\_\_\_\_ License No. \_\_\_\_\_

11. Describe what you did after the accident occurred: NOT REQUIRED BY STATE STATUTE

12. Describe the conversations you had, if any, with County personnel during or after the incident occurred: NOT REQUIRED BY STATE STATUTE

13. Describe the damages or injuries which you sustained as a result of the incident: LOSS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY \$400.00 & REPAIR COSTS \$650.00; LOSS OF VALUE OF PROPERTY UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME;

14. What is the amount of damages claimed? (Include estimates and bills, if available): SEE ABOVE. TOTAL DAMAGES ARE NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME BUT INCLUDE STIGMATIZATION OF PROPERTY. EST. AND BILLS ARE NOT REQUIRED BY STATE.

15. How did you identify the County as the party responsible for your damage? SEE ATTACHED

16. List the names and addresses of all witnesses to the incident: NOT REQUIRED  
BY STATE - ONLY THINGS INVOLVED

17. Are you covered by insurance? NOT REQUIRED  
BY STATE If yes, who is your insurance agent/carrier?

Dated this 10th Day of January, 20 11.

Kenneth Miller Jr for Claimant Richard

Signature of Claimant

Shirley Hemmick

\*\*\* Notary \*\*\*

Kenneth Miller Jr.

Verified signature of Claimant

County of King

Subscribed and sworn (affirmed) to before me this 10th Day of January, 20 11.



Michael P. Mulligan

Notary Public in and for the State of Washington

Residing at West Hill

**Answers to Questions 7, 8 and 15:**

Claimants live along or near the Teanaway River in the vicinity of Washington State Highways 10 and 970, and Lambert Road and Quail Valley Road. These public highways and Kittitas County roads are protected from the Teanaway River by a series of levees and dikes designed, constructed, improved, maintained, and repaired by the State of Washington and Kittitas County, or their predecessors in interest. These river control measures diverted and altered the natural watercourse of the Teanaway River. During high water events, the system is designed to confine the river to its main channel, thereby reducing its flood conveyance capacity.

On or about January 7, 2009, a high water event in the Teanaway River caused the failure of certain levees and dikes. The river flowed out of its confined channel and onto and across Claimants' properties, causing significant damage.

The State and County agencies responsible for the Teanaway River knew or should have known of the insufficiencies of the flood control projects along the river and the dangers posed to Claimants' properties. Claimants were not told of the dangers, nor were their properties in designated floodplains or floodways.