

## **KITTITAS COUNTY**

### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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August 8, 2011

Deputy Prosecuting Attorney  
Attn: Neil Caulkins  
205 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Rm. #213  
Ellensburg, WA 98926

RE: Claim for Damages: McCroskey  
Claim# 201107260042

Dear Mr. Caulkins,

I have reviewed the "Claim for Damages" submitted by Christine and Jeff McCroskey stating damage to their automobile due to a rock thrown into their windshield from a passing vehicle.

In discussions with the Maintenance Manager, Jim Van de venter, he states that both the chipseal and brooming process was completed on 7/20/11. The chipseal advisory signs were removed once the brooming was complete which is normal practice, and was prior to this claim.

I recommend denial of the above referenced claim since the county performed due diligence on clean up of the chipseal program.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Kirk Holmes  
Director of Public Works

KH:kjc

# KITTITAS COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

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Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Kirk Holmes  
Kittitas Public Works Department  
411 N. Ruby Street #1  
Ellensburg WA 98926

Re: Claim of Christine and Jeff McCroskey

Greetings:

We have received the documentation on the above listed claim as filed with the Auditor's office. If by chance, you did not receive this information, we have attached a copy for you. It appears that this claim relates to an incident involving your department. Please give us your input on the claim, what happened, and any records that you have relative to safety precautions.

If you have any questions, please give us a call.

Sincerely,



NEIL A. CAULKINS  
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Enclosure as noted

CC: BOCC

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### KITTITAS COUNTY CLAIM FOR DAMAGES

Return to: County Auditor  
205 W 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, 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):

Christine McCroskey  
Jeff McCroskey

2. Phone (Home): (509-859-4034) (Work): (509-899-2790)

3. Address (include former address if at present address for less than 6 months):

2800L Vantage Hwy Ellensburg Wa 98926

Physical

Mailing

4. Date of Incident:

7/23/2011

5. Location of Incident:

Vantage Hwy M.P. 11 (approx) and second time  
M.P. 15

6. Describe in detail the defect which caused the injury:

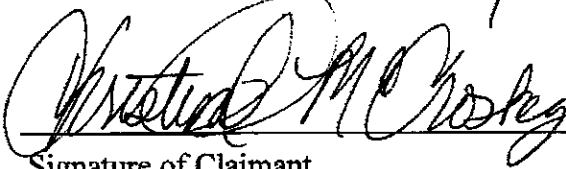
Gravel from passing vehicle struck windshield  
X2 in less than 5 miles. Newer chip seal with a  
speed restrictions + job is <sup>1 of 3</sup> considered complete.

15. List the names and addresses of all witnesses to the incident:

Jeff McCroskey  
28001 Vantage Hwy Ellensburg Wa 98926

16. Are you covered by insurance? yes If yes, who is your insurance agent/carrier? USAA - 500<sup>00</sup> deductible + claim

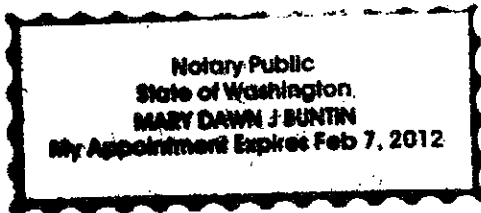
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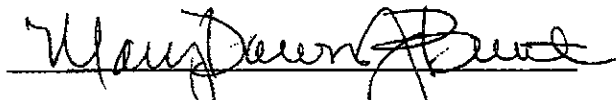


Signature of Claimant

Subscribed and sworn (affirmed) to before me this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011.

Seal





Notary Public in and for the State of Washington  
Residing at

Ellensburg