

**KITTITAS COUNTY
COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
USE OF THE PLAN**

A “disaster” is defined as a great misfortune, catastrophe or sudden calamitous event which brings great damage, loss or destruction. The Kittitas County area is vulnerable to natural, man made, and/or technological related disasters.

When a disaster threatens or strikes, county and city governments will take the lead in managing emergency public health, safety and welfare services. The response will be widespread, extending beyond the usual boundaries of departments providing emergency services and requiring cooperation of governmental and private sector units which do not normally respond to emergency situations. Since the state and federal governments will provide only supporting services for disaster mitigation, response and recovery, the leadership of the legislative authorities is of critical importance.

The Kittitas County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan is for the use of officials in providing emergency management preceding, during and following disasters. It gives the policies, information, recommendations and guidance necessary for the officials making operational decisions.

In order to ensure a workable plan, department heads and agency managers are directed to:

Support the planning efforts.

Adhere to this plan.

Develop supporting documents (Suggested Operating Procedures & check list).

Implement this plan for their departments / agencies.

Assure that all personnel within their departments / agencies are trained in this plan and their responsibilities in emergency/disaster operation.

BOARD OF KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Chairman **Date**

Date

Date

MAYORS

City of Roslyn **Date**

City of Kittitas **Date**

City of South Cle Elum **Date**

City of Cle Elum **Date**

City of Ellensburg **Date**

KITTITAS COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Director **Date**

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