

PRESS RELEASE

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Kittitas County Public Works Department

Kittitas County Public Works is out assessing road and bridge damage this week, in hopes of opening roads as soon as they can assure safe passage for motorists. Crews are filling out damage reports and estimating damages in dollar amounts for required FEMA reporting. The balance of this week will be spent on this assessing and estimating, along with repairs.

With flood waters now receding, residents may attempt to pass through barricaded roads. Motorists are urged to stay off closed roads and not drive through barricades. Closed roads where water has visibly receded and appear passable will remain closed until inspected by County Road Crews. Please do not drive on these roads until the restrictive signage is removed, as there may be erosion and other hazards not visible to the driver.

Sandbags can be returned to the Lower County Shop at #505 E. 14th in Ellensburg and the Upper County Shop at #1009 E. 3rd Street in Cle Elum.

For more information call the Public Works Department at 411 N. Ruby St., Ellensburg at 509-962-7523

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