

**WHATCOM COUNTY
PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management has reported to the Whatcom County Executive, beginning November 14, 2021, that flood conditions exist across Whatcom County, and,

WHEREAS, this incident is a threat to life and property, and demands immediate action, and,

WHEREAS, persons and property will be damaged unless further efforts are taken to reduce the threat to life, and

WHEREAS, this constitutes an emergency as defined by the Whatcom County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and necessitates the utilization of powers granted pursuant to the Whatcom County Charter and RCW 38.52.070(2); therefore,

BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE WHATCOM COUNTY EXECUTIVE that an emergency exists in Whatcom County; therefore, Whatcom County departments are authorized to do the following:

- (1) Enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such emergency situations to protect the health and safety of persons; and,
- (2) Provide appropriate emergency assistance to the victims of such disaster; and,
- (3) Other actions, as deemed appropriate by the Director of Emergency Management or his designee.

Each Whatcom County department is authorized to exercise the powers vested under this proclamation in the light of the exigencies of an extreme emergency situation without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements). This Proclamation shall remain in effect until the issuance of a Termination Proclamation by the Whatcom County Executive.

Dated this 14th day of November 2021.



Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive

Recommended by:



Sheriff Bill Elfo
Director of Emergency Management

Approved as to Form:



Deputy Prosecuting Attorney