RESOLUTION NO. 108-01

AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 40-98 - OPEN BURNING PERMIT FEE

WHEREAS, RCW 36.32.120, states "..the board of county commissioners...have the care of the county property and the management of the county funds and business..."

WHEREAS, RCW 36.43.010 states "The boards of county commissioners may adopt standard building codes and standard fire regulations to be applied with their respective jurisdictions;"

WHEREAS, the Board of Mason County Commissioners did establish an open burning permit program in Mason County on April 28, 1998;

WHEREAS, the Department of Natural Resources will no longer issue land clearing permits and in order for Mason County to assume this function, the current Mason County fee will need to be increased;

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on Tuesday, October 2, 2001 at 9:45 a.m. to take public testimony regarding an increase in the fee;

NOW, THEREFORE THE BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DO HEREBY RESOLVE to amend the annual fee to \$100 for each land clearing permit issued under the Open Burning Permit Program (see Attachment A which is incorporated as part of this resolution). This revised fee shall be effective November 1, 2001.

APPROVED this 2nd day of October, 2001.

ATTEST: Rogers	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON
Rebecca S. Rogers, Clerk of the Board	Huloson
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	Herb Baze, Chairperson
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney	Thesley E. Johnson
Michael Clift	Wesley E. Johnson, Commissioner
C: Clerk of the Board Fire Marshal	Set Halter
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ATTACHMENT A

SUMMARY OF OPEN BURNING PERMIT PROGRAM

- 1. A written permit will be issued for all land-clearing fires. A land-clearing fire is any fire over four (4) feet in diameter. Currently, open fires no larger than four (4) feet in diameter can be burned without a written permit.
- 2. Land-clearing open burning permits will be issued only for the burning of natural vegetation.
- 3. The fee for a land-clearing open burning permit will be \$100.
- 4. A land-clearing open burning permit will be valid for thirty (30) days from the date of issue.
- 5. A Mason County Fire Warden will issue a land-clearing open burning permit after a site visit.