## DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY/DISASTER BY COMMISSIONERS

Before the Board of County Commissioners of Mason County, Washington

In the Matter of Extreme Fire Danger Declaring an Emergency in Mason County

RESOLUTION NO. 31-15

WHEREAS, the Mason County Department of Emergency Management has reported to the Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, beginning July 3, 2015, at 10:00 am, a severe fire danger exists in Mason County due to the continued dry conditions and the extreme hot weather forecast by the National Weather Service for this weekend: and

WHEREAS, extensive damage has occurred and is still occurring to Mason County grasslands and timber acreage; and

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

WHEREAS, there is an emergency present which necessitates activation of the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to RCW 38.52 and County Ordinance No. 109-03;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

## **SECTION 1**

That it is hereby declared that there is an emergency/disaster due to the conditions in Mason County; therefore, designated departments are authorized to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such emergency to protect the health and safety of persons and property, and provide emergency assistance to the victims of such disaster.

## **SECTION 2**

Each designated department is authorized to exercise the powers vested under Section 1 of this resolution in the light of the demands of an extreme emergency situation without regard to time consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements).

DATED this 3rd day of July, 2015.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Attest: Overk of the Board

Chair Commissioner Commissioner