

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF PEND OREILLE COUNTY WASHINGTON

RE: LOCAL DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY IN PEND OREILLE COUNTY

Resolution No. 2017- 33

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Management, reported to the Board of County Commissioners that, wildfires in the County have and will continue to result in the actual and potential losses over large areas of Pend Oreille County; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Article XI, Section 11 of the Washington State Constitution and RCW 36.32.120 (6) and (7), the Board has both the jurisdiction and duty to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of Pend Oreille County; and

WHEREAS, extensive damage may occur to homes, businesses, livestock and pets, county roads and private roads, and electrical and telephone infrastructure; 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 a present emergency which necessitates activation of the Pend Oreille County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to RCW 36.40.180 and RCW 38.52.070(2);

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

Section 1, It is hereby declared by the Board of Pend Oreille County Commissioners that there is an emergency due to the wildfire conditions in Pend Oreille County, therefore, designated departments are authorized to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such disaster, protecting the health and safety of persons and property, and providing emergency assistance to the victims of such disaster, and,

Section 2, Each designated department is authorized to exercise the powers vested under Section 1 of this resolution 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).

DATED this 8th day of August, 2017

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PEND OREILLE COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Karen Skoog, Chair



Stephen Kiss, Vice-Chair



Mike Manus, Commissioner

Attest:



Rhonda Cary, Clerk of the Board