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## City of White Salmon Emergency Proclamation 2025-02

July 18, 2025

WHEREAS, a the Burdoin Fire is actively burning near the City of White Salmon, posing a significant threat to life, public health, property, and critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the conditions have created an emergency and the city is otherwise authorized under Chapter 38.52 RCW to exercise emergency powers to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat the disaster, protecting the health and safety of persons and property; and

WHEREAS, under RCW 35.33.081 and RCW 38.52.070, the Mayor is authorized to proclaim a local emergency when conditions warrant the use of emergency powers, and to activate the City's emergency response and recovery plans; and

WHEREAS, the declaration of an emergency allows the City to take extraordinary measures to respond promptly, including mobilizing resources, waiving competitive bidding requirements pursuant to RCW 39.04.280(3), and requesting mutual aid and state or federal assistance as needed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Marla Keethler, Mayor of the City of White Salmon, do hereby proclaim that a state of emergency exists in the City of White Salmon, effective immediately.

All appropriate departments and personnel are directed to utilize the City's emergency operations plan and undertake all necessary measures to protect life, property, and the environment and communicate the emergent state to appropriate state and Federal authorities. This Proclamation shall remain in effect until such time as the emergency has been abated and this Proclamation is terminated by further action.

DATED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.

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Marla Keethler, Mayor

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