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State Mobilization Authorized in Response to Area Flooding

Snohomish and Skagit Counties – State assistance has been mobilized under the Washington State Fire Services Resource Mobilization Plan in support of local fire resources working to assist with flooding located in Snohomish and Skagit Counties. Washington State Patrol Chief John Batiste authorized the mobilization of state resources on December 10, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. at the request of Fire Chiefs Seth Johnson, Snohomish County Fire District 5, Eric Andrews, Snohomish County Fire District 26, Brian Park, Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue, and David Skrinde, Skagit County Fire District 14.

Weeklong excessive rain has resulted in widespread flooding of area rivers. Flood waters are currently threatening homes and public buildings to include hospitals, jails, and adult living facilities. Level 3 evacuations are in effect at this time.

The State Emergency Operations Center at Camp Murray is activated to Level 1, full activation, to help coordinate state assistance for the flooding. Mobilization specialists from the Fire Protection Bureau have ordered four swift water rescue teams to aid in response efforts. State Fire Marshal's Office personnel are working remotely to coordinate the dispatch of resources.

Under the State Fire Services Resource Mobilization Plan, the Fire Protection Bureau coordinates the initial dispatch and continued administrative oversight of resources and personnel for the duration of the mobilization. The Mobilization Plan is implemented to provide a process to quickly notify, assemble and deploy fire service personnel, equipment and other resources from around the state when fires, disasters or other events exceed the capacity of local jurisdictions. More information about the Washington State Fire Services Resource Mobilization Plan is available at <http://www.wsp.wa.gov/all-risk-mobilization/>.

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