BEFORE THE BOARD OF STEVENS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING AN EMERGENCY DUE TO A SOUTH FORK MILL CREEK BRIDGE DAMAGE

Resolution No. 82-2019
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, On July 30, 2019 the County Engineer has notified the Board that South Fork Mill Creek Bridge has deteriorated and will require a load restriction that will necessitate a closure of the bridge to truck traffic until either repaired or replaced; and

WHEREAS, numerous residences exist beyond the damaged bridge; and

WHEREAS, wild fire season is upon us and any prohibition of truck traffic threatens public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, currently, the bridge is the major route to The A – Z Stewardship Timber Project which is regionally significant and will have a very negative economic impact to the County while load restricted.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DECLARED by the Board of Stevens County Commissioners that there is an emergency need to repair or replace the South Fork Mill Creek Bridge in Stevens County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the County Engineer is hereby authorized and directed to take immediate steps to address the emergency and to take any and all measures he deems necessary or prudent to protect the public and obtain repairs to the bridge including obtaining grant monies and he may invoke the exemptions to competitive bidding requirements as authorized by RCW 36.32.270, 36.32.235(12) and 39.04.280 to respond to the conditions which have caused this declaration of emergency until further action of the Board is taken to withdraw the declaration of emergency. The County Engineer or his designee shall report to the Board each week the steps taken pursuant to this proclamation to address the emergency conditions and the current state of the threats to the public health, safety and welfare.

Passed by the Board of Stevens County Commissioners meeting in regular session at Colville, Washington, by the following vote, then signed by its membership and attested to by its Clerk in authorization of such passage the 30th day of July, 2019.

3 YEA; 0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; and 0 ABSENT

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF STEVENS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chairman Wes McCart
Commissioner Steve Parker
Commissioner Don Dashiell

Attest:
Patricia A. Chester
Clerk of the Board