

EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

22-04

Lieser Road Overpass Damage

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2022, the Lieser Road overpass spanning State Route 14 was severely damaged when a vehicle with an over-height load struck the overpass where it crosses State Route 14 near milepost 4.3 in Clark County, Washington; and

WHEREAS, the damage sustained to the Lieser Road overpass where it crosses State Route 14 will require replacement of one overpass girder and repair of another girder; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation took emergency measures, revising travel lanes to restrict traffic from traveling over the damaged girder, and repairs and necessary interstate highway closures were approved by the Washington State Secretary of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, repair will require the procurement of a contractor and the estimated cost to repair the damage from the collision is \$2,200,000; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Transportation is coordinating resources to repair the roadway and is working to implement repairs; and

WHEREAS, the overpass damage and its effects continue to impact the life and health of people in the state of Washington, as well as the property and transportation infrastructure, all of which affect life, health, property, and the public peace, and constitute a public emergency demanding immediate action.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay R. Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, as a result of the above-noted situation and under Chapters 38.52 and 43.06 RCW, do hereby proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in Clark County in the state of Washington, and direct the plans and procedures in the *Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan* be implemented. State agencies and departments are directed to utilize state resources and to do everything reasonably possible to assist affected political subdivisions in an effort to respond to and recover from the incident.

Signed and sealed with the official seal of the state of Washington this 28th day of September A.D., Two Thousand and twenty-two at Olympia, Washington.	
	By:
	/s/ Jay Inslee, Governor
	Jay Inslee, Governor
BY THE GOVERNOR:	
Secretary of State	