



PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

18-04

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2018, a semi-truck hauling an oversize load struck an overpass on I-90 near milepost 231 approximately 10 miles east of Ritzville in Adams County; and

WHEREAS, the overpass structure sustained severe damage from the collision, requiring replacement of one structural girder and repairs to three other girders, resulting in the overpass being limited to one lane of alternating traffic along its centerline until repairs are completed, which may be delayed to accommodate manufacturing of the replacement girder; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost to repair the damage from the collision is \$740,000, and emergency conditions require approval of Washington's Secretary of Transportation to commence work immediately to repair the overpass and alleviate impacts to public safety through the implementation of emergency procurement procedures; and

WHEREAS, state agencies and local jurisdictions are coordinating resources to address alternate routes, impacts to the travelling public, and health and safety issues resulting from partial closure of the overpass; and

WHEREAS, the damage to the overpass and its effects continue to impact the life and health of our people, as well as the property and transportation infrastructure of Washington State, and is a public disaster that affects life, health, property, or the public peace.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay 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 Adams County in the state of Washington, and direct the plans and procedures of the *Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management*

