



Public Infrastructure and Conservation

Deb Bell

Council Initiated:

Yes

No

ECAF: 2024-0220

Motion: 24-094

Type:

- Contract
- Board Appt.
- Code Amendment
- Budget Action
- Other

Requested Handling:

- Normal
- Expedite
- Urgent

Fund Source:

- General Fund
- Other
- N/A

Executive Rec:

- Approve
- Do Not Approve
- N/A

Approved as to

Form:

- Yes
- No
- N/A

Subject: Approve the elimination of the solid waste disposal fee for household materials damaged by the flood event of December 2023.

Scope: The proposed motion would allow the Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Division to implement a voucher program to waive the tip fee for up to 30-days for those citizens with flood damaged household materials related to the flood event of December 2023. Acceptable flood damaged goods from residences includes carpets, mattresses, clothing, furniture, water-soaked plasterboard, appliances (except refrigerators and freezers), oil-based paints, and small amounts of household hazardous waste.

Duration: This would waive fees for up to 30 days (proposed start date March 1, 2024).

Fiscal Impact: Current Year Multi-Year N/A

Expend	2024	Total
402.5067064722 Waste Export Disposal	\$50,000	\$50,000
Total	\$50,000	\$50,000
Revenue	2024	Total
Solid Waste Tipping Fees	\$50,000	\$50,000
Total	\$156,000	\$50,000

Authority Granted: Approve for a period of thirty days beginning March 1, 2024, the elimination of solid waste disposal fees for residents disposing of household goods damaged by December 2023 floods, under SCC 7.41.022.

Background: On December 6, 2023, Executive Dave Somers issued a proclamation of emergency in Snohomish County due to regional flooding. The Solid Waste Division and the Executive Office request to implement a voucher program that would allow effected residents with flood-damaged materials to discard them at no charge at Snohomish County Solid Waste Facilities. Snohomish County Code 7.41.022 allows the Executive to waive fees for up to 30 days under a State or Federally declared emergency.

Action Requested: For Council to move the motion to GLS on February 21, 2024, for consideration.