

**SOUTH KING FIRE
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

RESOLUTION NO. 668

**A RESOLUTION of the Board of Commissioners of
South King Fire, King County, Washington,**

Declaring the Maintenance of a Public Records Index to be Unduly Burdensome

WHEREAS, RCW 42.56.070 (3) requires all public agencies to maintain and make available a current index of all public records; and

WHEREAS, RCW 42.56.070(4) provides that if maintaining such an index would be unduly burdensome, or would interfere with South King Fires operation, a public agency need not maintain such an index but it must issue and publish a formal order specifying the reasons why and the extent to which compliance would be unduly burdensome; and

WHEREAS, the development and maintenance of a public agency index would be extremely costly; and would provide little benefit to the public compared to the expense in maintaining the index; and

WHEREAS, South King Fires operations do not allow for the addition, revision, or reassignment of duties of existing personnel so that an index may be developed and maintained; and anticipated South King Fires revenues do not allow for additional staff for the purpose of creating and maintaining such an index; and

WHEREAS, because South King Fire has records which are diverse, complex and stored in multiple locations and in multiple computer systems and databases, it is unduly burdensome, if not physically impossible, to maintain a central index of records; and

WHEREAS, the requirement to maintain a public records index would interfere with South King Fires operations in the following ways:

- The sheer volume of records prepared, owned use or retained by South King Fire precludes any attempt to maintain a comprehensive and current index of records;
- The need to constantly update the index to keep it current would be nearly impossible; and
- South King Fire does not have a central repository for all of its public records and would therefore have to have multiple indices and multiple employees charged with constant updates of those indices.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners, based on the findings set forth above and

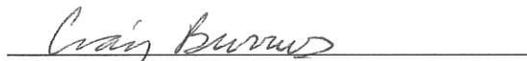
pursuant to RCW 42.56.070(4), does hereby order and direct that

1. South King Fire is not required to maintain a current index of public records due to the above findings that the requirement is unduly burdensome and such a list is nearly impossible to create and/or maintain; and
2. Pursuant to chapter 42.56 RCW, South King Fire shall make available for public inspection and/or copying all public records to the extent those records are not exempt from inspection and/or copying pursuant to chapter 42.56 RCW or other applicable laws, and shall make available all records presently retained by the Agency, to the extent such indexes exist.

ADOPTED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of South King Fire, King County, Washington at a Regular Meeting this 24th day of June 2025, with the following Commissioners being present and voting.


CHAIRMAN/COMMISSIONER


VICE CHAIR/COMMISSIONER


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ATTEST:


Secretary

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