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December 11, 2025

From: General Manager, John Weidenfeller
To: PUD Commissioners

Subject: Emergency Waiver of Competitive Bidding Requirements Per RCW 39.04.280 (2)(b) –
Emergency Leak Repairs at 1240 Ruddell Rd SE, Lacey, WA 98503

Commissioners:

In accordance with RCW 39.04.280 (2)(b and c), I declare that an emergency exists and have waived the competitive bidding requirements in accordance with the provisions of this RCW.

The authorization to award and expedite necessary contracts on behalf of PUD No. 1 of Thurston County to address this emergency is approved. The emergency action and waiver of the competitive bidding requirements are necessary.

On Wednesday, December 10, 2025, 1240 Ruddell Rd SE, Lacey, WA 98503, a PUD owned building, had a leak coming from the ceiling. District staff was able to secure a visit from Lacey Roofing. The Lacey Roofing technician determined that the leak was not caused by the roof. District staff then coordinated a visit by an HVAC contractor, TRS Mechanical, whose technician determined that the leak was caused by an outside air damper and exacerbated by the amount of precipitation received during the atmospheric river event experienced in western Washington. The HVAC technician was able to provide a temporary fix to prevent further damage to that facility.

The HVAC leak at 1240 Ruddell Rd SE, Lacey, WA 98503 was caused by an unforeseen circumstance beyond the control of Thurston PUD, a municipal corporation of the State of Washington, and presented a real and immediate threat to the proper performance of the essential functions of the facility and would have likely resulted in material loss and damage to the District's property if immediate action was not taken

This is the written finding of the existence of an emergency as required by the applicable RCW. This written finding is brought to notify the Commission and the public at the next available public meeting. This finding is duly entered of record no later than two weeks following the award of the contract.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Weidenfeller".

John Weidenfeller
General Manager