



King County

FURTHER ORDERS PURSUANT TO NOVEMBER 20, 2024, PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2024, in my capacity as King County Executive, I issued a Proclamation of Emergency regarding a significant civil emergency caused by severe weather conditions, including strong sustained and gusty winds, blizzard-like conditions, and heavy rain, present in King County since November 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this prior proclamation, the findings and orders therein remain in full effect; and

WHEREAS, beginning on November 19, 2024, the severe weather conditions have created downed trees, electrical power and utility disruptions, blocked roads, and debris across roadways, which pose a risk to public property and facilities, and threaten public safety, property destruction, injury, and travel conditions; and

WHEREAS, K.C.C. 12.52.030(C)(10) authorizes the King County Executive to make and proclaim any “orders as are imminently necessary for the protection of life and property”; and

WHEREAS, this continued emergency requires the issuance of an order that is specifically targeted to address certain aspects of solid waste handling within the County; and

WHEREAS, K.C.C. 10.10.025 sets forth certain notice and comment procedures that are required to change the operating hours of County solid waste facilities; and

WHEREAS, K.C.C. 10.12.050(B) authorizes the Executive, or Council by motion, to waive service fees under a proclamation; and

WHEREAS, the consequences of and impacts from recent extreme weather conditions have interrupted regional waste management activities delaying garbage pickup, waste transfer, and presenting a threat of increased yard and other waste debris requiring disposal;

NOW THEREFORE, I, DOW CONSTANTINE, AS KING COUNTY EXECUTIVE, DO HEREBY MAKE THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL ORDERS:

- D. The Solid Waste Division is authorized to temporarily change, by expanding or reducing, the operating hours of King County solid waste facilities; and
- E. The Solid Waste Division may temporarily close any King County solid waste facilities as necessary; and
- F. The Solid Waste Division may waive fees for yard waste debris as necessary to address the continuing effects of the extreme weather on solid waste handling.

A copy of these additional orders shall be delivered to the Clerk of the Council and each King County Councilmember by email by no later than 10:00 a.m. on the second business day after issuance. To the extent practicable, a copy of this Proclamation and all emergency orders issued hereunder shall be delivered to all news media within King County and made available to the general public.

This order shall continue in force and effect until the November 20, 2024, Proclamation of Emergency is terminated by order of the Executive or action by the County Council by ordinance.

DATED this 22nd day of November, 2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dow Constantine". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

DOW CONSTANTINE, King County Executive