

# RESOLUTION 2175

## **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH BEND, WASHINGTON, RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S DECEMBER 10, 2025, PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, King County Executive Girmay Zahilay issued an emergency proclamation on December 8, 2025, in preparation for the impact of severe storms and flooding throughout King County; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 9, 2025, many local rivers reached or exceeded phase 4 flood gauge; and

**WHEREAS**, thereafter, an additional band of hazardous weather conditions added a significant amount of rainfall to the already impacted river ecosystems of the North, Middle, and South Forks of the Snoqualmie River; and

**WHEREAS**, the resulting flooding presented an additional threat to persons and property in the City of North Bend (the “City”) and the surrounding community; and

**WHEREAS**, the severe weather conditions constitute an emergency as defined by the North Bend Emergency Management Plan and necessitated the utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to chapter 2.68 of the North Bend Municipal Code (“NBMC”), RCW 38.52.070(2) and RCW 39.04.280; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 10, 2025, Mayor Miller proclaimed that an emergency existed within the City, pursuant to chapter 2.68 NBMC and the City’s approved Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, and authorized the City departments and staff, in light of the extreme emergency situation, to authorize contracts and incur obligations to combat the emergency situations to protect the health and safety of person and properties without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements); and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Miller’s December 10, 2025, Proclamation of Emergency was officially entered of record with the City Clerk that same day; and

**WHEREAS**, also on December 10, 2025, Governor Bob Ferguson proclaimed “that a State of Emergency exist[ed] throughout the entire state of Washington,” due to the atmospheric and winter weather event; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council does hereby find that the above described conditions of extreme peril did warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency in the City of North Bend and surrounding communities;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH BEND, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The North Bend City Council hereby ratifies and confirms the Mayor's December 10, 2025, Proclamation of Emergency, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**Section 2.** As provided by RCW 38.52.070(2), the Mayor and City Department Directors are authorized to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to provide emergency responses to the recent atmospheric and winter weather events without regard to time consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law, excepting mandatory constitutional rights, which includes without limitation existing budget limitations, competitive bidding requirements, rental, purchase, contracting, and expenditure policies.

**Section 3.** The Mayor's Proclamation of Emergency, as ratified and confirmed herein, shall remain in full force and effect until terminated by order of the Mayor or action of the City Council. Absent further action to extend the Mayor's Proclamation of Emergency, it shall expire thirty (30) calendar days after passage of this Resolution.

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH BEND, WASHINGTON, AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF, THIS 6<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2026.**

**CITY OF NORTH BEND:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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**Mary Miller, Mayor**

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**Kendra Rosenberg, City Attorney**

**ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:**

Effective: January 6, 2026

Posted: January 7, 2026

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**Susie Oppedal, City Clerk**