

Administration Division

SNOHOMISH HEALTH DISTRICT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

RESOLUTION NUMBER:

20-12

RESOLUTION SUBJECT:

ADMINISTRATIVE WAIVER OF LATE FEES FOR WATER

RECREATION FACILITIES PERMIT RENEWALS

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Public Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar declared a public emergency for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) beginning on January 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee declared a state of emergency exists in all counties in the State of Washington due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the State; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, Governor Inslee issued Proclamation 20-25, *Stay Home, Stay Healthy*, which requires citizens to remain in their homes, except to conduct essential business; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's *Stay Home, Stay Healthy* order required closure of all non-essential businesses; and

WHEREAS, water recreation facilities are not considered essential and remain closed at this time; and

WHEREAS, WAC 246-260-101 requires water recreation facilities to obtain permits from local health officers; and

WHEREAS, permits must be renewed annually by May 31 of each year; and

WHEREAS, permit holders who fail to renew by May 31 are subject to a \$300 late fee; and

WHEREAS, the Health District has mailed renewal notices to permit holders; and

WHEREAS, it is unclear if COVID-19 closure orders will be extended past the May 31 permit renewal deadline; and

WHEREAS, it may impose an economic hardship on water recreation facilities to require payment of permit fees without a clear timeline of when business operations can resume.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Snohomish County Board of Health hereby authorizes the Administrative Officer to waive the \$300 late fee for water recreation facilities permits obtained after May 31, 2020, so long as permit renewal occurs before the facility re-opens to the public.

ADOPTED this 12th day of May.

Stephanie Wright, Chair

Board of Health

Shawn Frederick, MBA Administrative Officer

ATTEST: