



**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COLUMBIA COUNTY PUBLIC
TRANSPORTATION**

Resolution to Temporarily Declare)

A State of Emergency)

Resolution 2020 -2

WHEREAS: The United States of America, with Washington state at the epicenter, is experiencing a health emergency cause by COVID-19. The President has declared a National Emergency, and state and local officials have issued emergency proclamations as well, and

WHEREAS: this crisis has impacted Columbia County Public Transportation's ridership, even prior to the most recent closures of retail and other spaces in the community, and further reductions could result in the need for service reductions due to either lack of riders or staffing shortages, and

WHEREAS: safeguarding the health of our staff and community must be our highest priority;

**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COLUMBIA COUNTY PUBLIC
TRANSPORTATION BOARD: That the Board of Columbia County Public
Transportation hereby declare a state of emergency and authorize the following:**

- **Modify services and fares as needed**
- **Modify routes, schedules, and services hours as needed.**
- **Direct all essential employees who are fit for duty to report to work as scheduled.**
- **Direct non-essential employees to work from home if possible and accept side work on agency property if work from home is not possible.**
- **Direct non-essential employees who cannot work from home or accept side work due to physical restrictions, to remain at home and on Standby Status during their normal working hours.**
- **Require employees who are tested for suspected COVID-19 to report this to immediate supervisors.**
- **Suspend Columbia County Public Transportation procurement policies and limit as needed to obtain essential supplies while remaining in compliance with RCW 39.04.28.**
- **Suspend any other policies or standard practices as needed to preserve the safety of our staff, riders, and the community. Approved and passed this 18th day of March 2020.**

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Columbia County Public Transportation Board, State of Washington, on this 18th day of March 2020.

Board of Columbia County
Transportation, Columbia
County, Washington

Mike Talbott, Chairman

Attested, David Ocampo