

LEWIS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 3

Resolution # 25-05

Recovery of Costs for Services

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Fire District #3 periodically need to update adequate guidelines and regulations that enable the district to recover costs for certain services provided by district personnel; and

WHEREAS, the district may respond to events which incur a cost burden upon the district tax payers; and

WHEREAS, the district is occasionally asked to respond outside of its boundaries to provide public safety services to unprotected areas; and

WHEREAS, the district routinely responds to incidents involving citizens who do not live within the boundaries of Lewis County Fire District #3, thereby incurring unjustifiable costs upon the tax paying citizens of the district; and

WHEREAS, cost recovery services exist to assist the district in the recovery of reasonable costs incurred during the delivery of service per RCW 52.30.090 and RCW 35.103.060;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lewis County Fire District #3 Governance Board approves that:

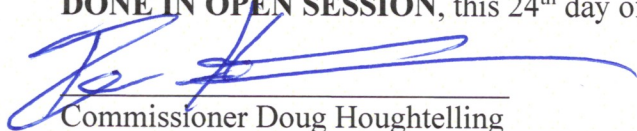
1. Cost recovery fees may be imposed for responses to motor vehicle, watercraft and aircraft incidents including hazardous materials clean-up a vehicle fire.
2. Cost recovery fees may be imposed for responses to special rescues on water or land.
3. The fire district administrative assistant will calculate fees for service in those limited instances deemed appropriate.
4. Fees charged shall be based upon the attached schedule ranging 1-5.
5. The fire district administrative assistant and overhead costs include a minimum of \$40 per invoice processed.
6. Gives authorization for our contracted billing service agent, Systems Design, to attempt to recover costs for services associated to the incident through a billing process and submit claims to the responsible party's insurance.
7. Gives the administrative assistant the authority to present possible waiving of costs/fees exceeding the amounts paid by insurance in a district board of commissioners meeting for approval.
8. No charges will be allowed upon residents of Lewis County Fire District #3.
9. The fees charged will be on the schedule 1-5 below. These fees apply to vehicle, watercraft, and aircraft.

Schedule 1-5

1. Secure and stabilize the scene, traffic diversion including cones, flares, disconnect batteries if needed, assess hazardous materials, pedestrian searching, and assist PD and EMS. Assist in towing agencies for vehicles and aircraft. Clean up glass and debris from vehicle, watercraft, or aircraft. Lewis County Fire District can attempt towing watercraft to a safe land area, only if the watercraft hold harmless form has been signed. Includes Lewis County Fire District #3 administrative assistant fee. \$1090
2. Secure and stabilize the scene, traffic diversion including cones, flares, disconnect batteries if needed, assess hazardous materials, pedestrian searching, and assist PD and EMS. Assist in towing agencies for vehicles and aircraft. Clean up glass and debris from vehicle, watercraft, or aircraft. Lewis County Fire District can attempt towing watercraft to a safe land area, only if the watercraft hold harmless form has been signed. Mitigate hazardous materials (antifreeze, oil, gasoline & other fluids) with absorbent, foam and other clean up agents. Includes Lewis County Fire District #3 administrative assistant fee. \$1240
3. **FIRE** - Secure and stabilize the scene, traffic diversion including cones, flares, disconnect batteries if needed, assess hazardous materials, pedestrian searching, and assist PD and EMS. Assist in towing agencies for vehicles and aircraft. Clean up glass and debris from vehicle, watercraft, or aircraft. Lewis County Fire District can attempt towing watercraft to a safe land area, only if the watercraft hold harmless form has been signed. Mitigate hazardous materials (antifreeze, oil, gasoline & other fluids) with absorbent, foam and other clean up agents. Fire suppression, breathing air, rescue tools, hand tools, hose, tip use & structure protection. Includes Lewis County Fire District #3 administrative assistant fee. \$1700
4. **RESCUE & EXTRICATION** - Secure and stabilize the scene, traffic diversion including cones, flares, disconnect batteries if needed, assess hazardous materials, pedestrian searching, and assist PD and EMS. Assist in towing agencies for vehicles and aircraft. Clean up glass and debris from vehicle, watercraft, or aircraft. Lewis County Fire District can attempt towing watercraft to a safe land area, only if the watercraft hold harmless form has been signed. Mitigate hazardous materials (antifreeze, oil, gasoline & other fluids) with absorbent, foam and other clean up agents. Fire suppression, breathing air, rescue tools, hand tools, hose, tip use & structure protection. Extrication (heavy rescue tools, ropes, airbags, cribbing, etc.) Includes Lewis County Fire District #3 administrative assistant fee. \$4690
5. **RESCUE & EXTRICATION** - Secure and stabilize the scene, traffic diversion including cones, flares, disconnect batteries if needed, assess hazardous materials, pedestrian searching, and assist PD and EMS. Assist in towing agencies for vehicles and aircraft. Clean up glass and debris from vehicle, watercraft, or aircraft. Lewis County Fire District can attempt towing watercraft to a safe land area, only if the watercraft hold harmless form has been signed. Mitigate hazardous materials (antifreeze, oil, gasoline & other fluids) with absorbent, foam and other clean up agents. Fire suppression, breathing air, rescue tools, hand tools, hose, tip use & structure protection. Extrication (heavy rescue tools, ropes, airbags, cribbing, etc.) Air Care (multi-engine company response, mutual aid, helicopter). Air Care (multi-engine company response, mutual aid, helicopter). Includes Lewis County Fire District #3 administrative assistant fee. \$5690

***Note: For any level of service lasting longer than 2 hours on scene, an additional flat rate of \$400 per hour will be charged.**

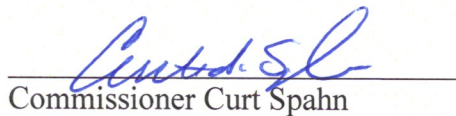
DONE IN OPEN SESSION, this 24th day of September, 2025.



Commissioner Doug Houghtelling



Commissioner Scott Spade



Commissioner Curt Spahn



Admin. Assistant Amanda Blankenship