

January 11, 2021

Fire Chief Nelson
Thurston County Fire District 6

Fire Chief Nelson,

Washington Surveying and Rating Bureau (WSRB) has completed its evaluation of the fire protection capabilities of your community as they relate to fire insurance rating. We're pleased to inform you that the Protection Classification (PC) for Thurston County Fire District 6 has improved from PC 5 to PC 3, effective May, 1, 2021.

The new PC 3 rating will apply to dwelling and commercial properties located within five road miles of a recognized responding fire station and having standard fire hydrant distribution and water supply. Properties in the community not meeting the above requirements will receive a different PC rating.

As detailed in our December 8, 2020 letter, Fire Station 62 is not currently meeting minimum criteria to retain the PC rating of the community. Six volunteer firefighters living within five road miles of the station are required to meet minimum criteria. Dwelling properties within five road miles of only this station will have their PC rating changed to a PC 9 or 9A depending on the distance to the closest recognized responding fire station.

Protection Class ratings for individual dwelling and commercial properties are available free of charge by calling WSRB Customer Service at 206-217-0101 or emailing customerservice@wsrb.com. We recommend residents of your community contact their insurance agents to determine the relative effect this new community PC rating will have on their insurance premiums.

WSRB supports your efforts to improve the fire insurance rating of your community. If you believe the conditions that contributed to the change in Protection Class around Fire Station 62 have been resolved, please contact me immediately. WSRB would be pleased to conduct another evaluation to update the rating.

Thurston County Fire District 6 was also evaluated for WSRB Tender Credit, and it was determined that the community will retain this PC rating credit.

We wish to thank you and Assistant Chief Denton for the cooperation during the evaluation.



Accompanying this letter, you will find a copy of the new Protection Class Report. This report shows the various items evaluated and points associated with each item. The points total for all items determines the PC of the community.

Please note that the WSRB survey was not conducted for property loss prevention or for life safety purposes. Rather, the purpose was to gather information needed to determine a fire insurance relevant Protection Class that may be used to develop fire insurance rates or Loss Costs. Our evaluation criteria incorporate many nationally recognized standards, such as those developed by NFPA, ICC and AWWA, and have been filed with and approved by the Washington State Office of the Insurance Commissioner.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,



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