

## RESOLUTION: #18-08

## Membership & Participation in the Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council

WHEREAS, the Lower Elwha Community Council is the governing body of the Lower Elwha Tribal Community in accordance with its Constitution and By-Laws, approved by the Secretary of Interior on April 29, 1968; and, the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934; and, the Treaty of Point-No-Point of January 26, 1855; and,

WHEREAS, the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribal Business Committee of the Lower Elwha Community Council is the duly elected representative body of the Tribe and is responsible for ensuring the health, safety, welfare, social, educational and economic development, law and order, judicial services, and housing; and, to preserve and protect the culture, treaty rights, natural resources and interests of our Indian people; and,

WHEREAS, the Tribe is committed to protecting the health, safety and property of community members from the adverse affects of natural and human influenced disasters; and.

WHEREAS, the Tribe has established and is committed to maintaining an Emergency Preparedness program that complies with the National Incident Management System (NIMS); and,

WHEREAS, the Lower Elwha Klallam Business Committee acknowledges there is an advantage for all parties, by participating with, training and exercising with other recognized Tribes in the State for the purpose of Emergency Management; and,

WHEREAS, the Lower Elwha Klallam Business Committee also acknowledges that planning and exercising for individual and collective preparedness, as well as maintaining a Point of Contact (POC) is of the utmost importance for mitigating the adverse affects of natural and human influenced disasters; now,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribal Business Committee hereby authorizes the Tribe's membership in the NWTEMC and directs the CEO to authorize the Emergency Management Planner to participate in the meetings, trainings and other activities of the NWTEMC. In addition, for matters pertaining to Emergency Management, the CEO shall act as the POC for the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe.

## CERTIFICATION

Resolution #18-08 was presented to the Lower Elwha Klallam Business Committee on the 16th day of April, 2008, and was adopted by the Business Committee by a vote of 4 FOR and 0 AGAINST and 0 ABSTAINING.

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Chairwoman

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