

LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Lewis County has experienced natural and man-made disasters in the past, and remains vulnerable in the future;

WHEREAS, everyone in the county should prepare themselves to be self-sufficient for at least three days following an act of terrorism, natural, or man-made disaster; and

WHEREAS, individuals, companies, and government agencies should review preparedness plans, contact information, and emergency kits so they can provide essential services after a disaster; and

WHEREAS, the loss of life and property can be greatly reduced if the citizens have available information provided over the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) weather radio; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Emergency Management Division will conduct a statewide “Drop, Cover and Hold” earthquake drill on October 16, 2014 at 10:16 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, by participating in these campaigns, individuals, neighborhoods, schools, businesses, and organizations will have taken steps to prepare before a disaster strikes, thereby saving lives, reducing injuries, and decreasing overall costs for recovery; and

WHEREAS, the importance of preparing in advance of emergencies and listening to NOAA Weather Radio will be highlighted during the month of October by NOAA, Washington State Emergency Management, and Lewis County Emergency Management; and

NOW THEREFORE, we, the members of the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim October, 2014 as

LEWIS COUNTY DISASTER PREPAREDNESS MONTH & NOAA WEATHER RADIO MONTH

in Lewis County and encourage all citizens to increase their knowledge and awareness of the benefits of preparing for future emergencies and having a NOAA Weather Radio available.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this ____ day of October, 2014.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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ATTEST:

Karri Muir, CMC
Clerk of the Board