



Clallam County Fire District 3

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Safety Amidst Dry Conditions, Wind, and Fireworks

Sequim, Washington

Over the recent holiday weekend, Fire District 3 responded to a high volume of calls, underscoring the critical need for continued public vigilance during these dry and windy conditions, exacerbated by the use of fireworks.

Between 0800 on Friday, July 4th, and 0800 on Sunday July 6th, our dedicated Firefighters answered 65 calls for service. The number of incidents included:

- **1 Traffic Crash**
- **8 Wildland Fires** (6 caused by fireworks, 2 under investigation)
- **2 Structure Fires**
- **4 Smoke Investigations and Burn Complaints**
- **50 Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Calls**
- **Not included in the call matrix is the dedicated Fire and EMS standby for the Public Fireworks Display and the East Clallam Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT), who all provided a safe and memorable 4th of July celebration experience.**

We are grateful to report that there were no injuries to people or pets in these fire incidents. This outcome would not have been possible without the relentless efforts of our Fire District 3 staff and with the invaluable support of our Volunteer Firefighters, who showed classic dedication when demand peaked.

Moreover, our community's safety was further ensured thanks to the collaborative efforts with our automatic and mutual aid partners. We extend our sincere gratitude to East Jefferson Fire-Rescue, Clallam 2 Fire-Rescue, Port Angeles Fire Department, and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) wildland team for their unwavering support. Their assistance, and ours to them, exemplify the spirit of teamwork that bolsters our region's emergency response capabilities.

The need for caution continues as we progress deeper into summer. We urge everyone to adhere to the burn restrictions currently in place and continue to monitor for any changes that may come. Your cooperation is crucial in preventing further incidents and safeguarding our community.

We ask every resident and visitor to do their part in ensuring safety during this season. Let us all work together to keep your Fire District safe and secure.

For further information and safety tips, please visit our website or contact our office.

Fire Chief Justin Grider

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Clallam County Fire District 3 provides Emergency Medical Services, Fire Suppression and all Hazard mitigation from three fire stations staffed 24/7/365 with Firefighters, EMT's and Paramedics and three fire stations that are served by our Volunteer members year-round to the communities of Gardiner, Diamond Point, Blyn, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Lost Mountain, Happy Valley, Sequim, Dungeness, Carlsborg, Agnew, Blue Mountain, O'Brien, R Corner, and all points in between, North and South.