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Fire Chief Duncan
Benton County Fire District 2

Fire Chief Duncan,

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 Benton County Fire District 2 has improved from PC 6 to PC 4, effective September 1, 2022.

The new PC 4 rating will apply to dwelling and commercial properties located within five road miles of a 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. 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 will have on their insurance premiums.

Benton County Fire District 2 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, Assistant Chief Bates and your staff 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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