MEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Agenda for Special Board Meeting via Zoom
Wednesday, August 12, 2026 – 12:30 pm
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I. Approval of Agenda (Action)

II. Public Comment on Agenda Items

III. Resolution 26-05
Emergency Declaration for the Spokane Complex Fire (Action)
(Presented by: *Travis Hanson, Superintendent)*

IV. Adjourn

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RESOLUTION 26-05
Emergency Declaration for the Spokane Complex Fire

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Mead School District No. 354, Spokane County, Washington, declaring an emergency due to an imminent health, safety, and property hazard at Mead School District; waiving competitive bidding requirements for necessary emergency remediation and repair work; ratifying prior actions; and providing for related matters.

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2026, the Governor of the state of Washington declared a state of emergency with respect to dangerous wildfire conditions across Central and Eastern Washington, including the greater Spokane area affected by certain fires collectively referred to as the Spokane Complex Fire, for the purposes of implementing plans and procedures in the Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, implementing a temporary outdoor burn ban, and authorizing members of the Washington National Guard and the Washington State Guard to serve as needed, all in response to such dangerous wildfire conditions; and

WHEREAS, each of the large wildfires in the greater Spokane region (the "Fairview" fire, the "Old Trails" fire, and the "Autumn Lane" fires) spread across and into Mead School District boundaries, consuming significant acreage inside the district, with potential damage to and unsafe conditions in school district facilities.

WHEREAS, reputable contractors and service providers have been or will be identified by the District or all purposes necessary to evaluate, remediate and otherwise prepare the impacted schools for occupancy by the start of the 2026-27 school year; and

WHEREAS, time constraints for the evaluation, remediation and other necessary work on the Impacted Schools will not allow for the work to be awarded through a bidding or other competitive process; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Spokane Complex Fire, an emergency in the District exists and a declaration of emergency is necessary (under RCW 28A.335.190(6) and RCW 39.04.280) to protect, evaluate, remediate and otherwise make ready the impacted schools in preparation for the start of the 2026-27 school year in a timely manner;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Mead School District No. 354 that an emergency situation exists, that the District shall waive competitive bid and other requirements for the award of the goods, services, and public works contracts referenced above, and that the award of these contracts are hereby approved and ratified in an effort to minimize the damage and adverse impacts caused by the Spokane Complex Fire to the Impacted Schools; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all appropriate District staff are authorized to request waivers from the Washington Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and other state agencies, enter

into contracts for funding, and take any other actions determined necessary in support of the response to the effects of the Spokane Complex Fire and related recovery efforts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution takes effect from and applies to all actions taken in response to the Spokane Complex fire since the fires started, as of August 1, 2026, and all actions taken prior to the effective date of this resolution in furtherance of and not inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution are ratified and confirmed in all respects.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Mead School District #354, Spokane County, Washington, at a special meeting held this 12th day of August, 2026.

Dated this ____ day of August 2026.

Attest:

Mead School District No. 354
Board of Directors

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Secretary to the Board

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