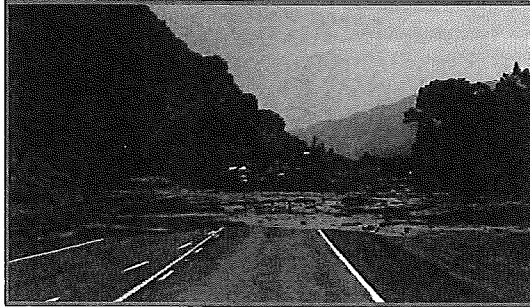


# Chelan County Flood Control Zone District Post Fire Resources

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Having experienced the aftermath of past fires, the impact of rainfall over a burned area can be severe. The burned surface may not be able to absorb even light to normal rainfall, causing the precipitation to travel quickly and take rocks, dirt and other debris with it and overwhelm drainage systems.



There is no way to prevent flooding and steps to mitigate the damage can only reduce the impact to public infrastructure and private property. But there are steps property owners can take to reduce the damage to homes and property. Most of these options are affordable and require only a little preparation.

First and foremost, it is vital to maintain drainways on your property, whether they be natural or developed and to cut back brush, remove rock and yard waste and any structures that might impede conveyance of run off.

If you have a culvert under your driveway, regular inspection and removal of any materials will help the culvert not to be overwhelmed and back up over your driveway and into your yard and the roadway. If you see a clogged culvert in your neighborhood that is the County's responsibility, contact the County to make a service request to address the issue.

Please take time to review the resources available by following the links below:

[http://cascadiacd.org/wildfire-recovery-resources\\_351.html](http://cascadiacd.org/wildfire-recovery-resources_351.html)

<http://www.co.chelan.wa.us/public-works/pages/after-the-fire>

Additional questions can be answered by calling the County's Flood Control Zone District at (509) 667-6415.



Flood Control Zone District (FCZD) is a special-purpose government fund authorized under RCW 86.15 to fund flood-reduction projects and programs in the County. The funds collected by the FCZD are protected by state law and can only be used to fund flood control related activities.

Flooding is one of the most common natural hazards that the County has to deal with and is a regular occurrence throughout the year. Because of recent devastating flooding events throughout the county, flood control and hazard mitigation in flood prone areas need to be examined.

A Comprehensive Flood Hazard Plan will determine how the FCZD will prepare and respond to flooding. A stakeholder committee consisting of representatives from the cities, resource agencies and the public are working to develop this plan. This group meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at the Confluence Technology Center in Wenatchee. These meetings start at 1PM and are open to the public. The committee welcomes input and questions regarding this important process.

Visit our FCZD webpage:  
[www.co.chelan.wa.us/public-works/pages/flood-control-zone-district](http://www.co.chelan.wa.us/public-works/pages/flood-control-zone-district)

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