



CENTRAL KITSAP **FIRE & RESCUE**

Dear Property Owner:

Your residence is located within the boundaries of Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue (CKFR). The CKFR Board of Commissioners adopted a policy that may affect our response to the property address listed on this letter. This policy may potentially prevent CKFR emergency response apparatus (engines, ladder trucks, water tenders, and ambulances) from crossing your bridge if it does not meet our minimum safety requirements.

For CKFR personnel to consider using your bridge in the future, we require the following practices to occur:

- Private bridges require inspection by a licensed structural engineer at least every five (5) years to determine the load carrying capacity.
- Property owner(s) and/or residents affected by the bridge shall furnish a copy of the engineering report to CKFR.
- The maximum weight carrying capacity of the bridge, as determined by the engineering inspection, shall be conspicuously posted on or adjacent to the bridge by CKFR personnel.

We are sending this notice to advise you of the potential impacts of this policy which is necessary to ensure the safety of our personnel, apparatus, and to protect our ability to respond to future community service needs without delay.

For additional information, please visit: www.ckfr.org/information/bridge-policy/

Sincerely,

John Oliver
Fire Chief