

Resolution No. 2024-33

**A Resolution Adopting the National Incident Management System (NIMS)
and Incident Command System (ICS) Standards for Emergency Response in
Fergus County, Montana**

WHEREAS, the National Incident Management System (NIMS) is a comprehensive, national approach to incident management that is applicable at all levels of government, private sector, and nongovernmental organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Incident Command System (ICS) is an integral part of NIMS that provides a standardized, on-scene, all-hazards incident management approach; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of NIMS and ICS standards will enhance the county's ability to effectively manage and coordinate emergency response operations; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of NIMS and ICS standards will improve interoperability and communication between various agencies and organizations during emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of NIMS and ICS standards will promote a consistent approach to incident management, leading to more efficient and effective response efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
FERGUS COUNTY, MONTANA, THAT:

- I. Adoption of NIMS/ICS Standards: The Board of County Commissioners hereby adopts the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and Incident Command System (ICS) standards as the official framework for emergency response operations within Fergus County, Montana.
- II. Implementation: Fergus County Disaster and Emergency Services is directed to develop and implement a comprehensive plan to integrate NIMS and ICS principles into all emergency response activities.
- III. Training and Education: Fergus County Disaster and Emergency Services shall provide regular training and education to all county personnel involved in emergency response, including but not limited to law enforcement, fire, emergency medical services, public works, and other relevant departments.
- IV. Interagency Cooperation: Fergus County Disaster and Emergency Services shall foster interagency cooperation and coordination with other local, state, and federal agencies to ensure seamless implementation of NIMS and ICS standards.
- V. Periodic Review: Fergus County Disaster and Emergency Services shall periodically review and update the NIMS and ICS implementation plan to ensure its continued effectiveness and relevance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON December 26, 2024

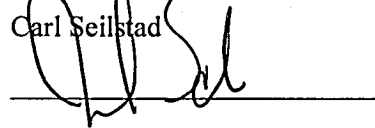
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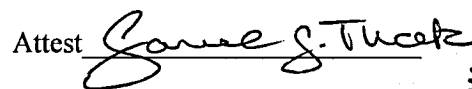


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