AFTER THE DISASTER FEE REDUCTIONS



DAMAGE REPORTING HOTLINE: 360-740-2600



County reduces / eliminates various fees

In response to the devastation throughout the county, Lewis County is reducing or eliminating various fees for qualifying individuals who've sustained flood damage. To get started, contact Lewis County's damage reporting hotline at **360-740-2600** and leave your information – first and last name, address and phone number. (Staff will return your call within two business days). Following are the various fees the county has reduced or waived in response to the disaster:

Coliform (bacteria) water-testing fee waived through Jan. 14

Flooding has substantially increased the risk for bacterial contamination in the Randle and Packwood areas, and it's imperative affected individuals have their drinking water tested.

If you're in the affected Randle and Packwood areas, <u>Public Health</u> will test your well / drinking water system tested at no charge **through Jan. 14, 2026.** Get started by calling the damage reporting hotline at 360-740-2600. You also can contact Public Health directly at 360-740-1223.

Coliform (bacteria) water-testing fee (typically \$65): Now waived

Building inspection fees reduced / waived through Jan. 31

Lewis County Community Development has reduced / waived certain building inspection fees for individuals whose structures sustained "non-substantial flood damage" (as outlined by Department of Ecology, State of Washington Substantial Damage Guidance) through 11:59 p.m. Jan. 31, 2026. To get started, call the damage reporting hotline at 360-740-2600.

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- Moisture reading and insulation / sheet rock inspection: One \$25 fee now covers all three
- Administrative fee (typically \$50): Now waived
- Technology fee (typically \$10): Now waived

Reminder: Please check with Community Development at 360-740-2696 before you start repairs. A building permit is required for most repairs (including removing, altering or replacing the following: roofs, walls, siding, wallboard, plaster, insulation, paneling, cabinets, flooring, electrical system, plumbing and heating or air conditioning units). There are some tasks you can do without a permit, such as removing and disposing of damaged contents, carpeting, drywall, wallboard and insulation, etc.

Disposal fees for flood debris waived through Feb. 27

You can dispose of flood-damaged debris at no charge with <u>Solid Waste's</u> free voucher. Debris will be accepted at our temporary in Packwood as well as the Centralia and Morton transfer stations **through 5 p.m. Feb. 27, 2026**. Call the damage hotline at 360-740-2600 to get started.

Flood debris can be disposed of at no cost at the following locations with the voucher:

- Temporary site at the Old Hampton Mill: 12832 US Highway 12, Packwood Hours: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day, including weekends (hours for week of Dec. 22 tbd)
- Lewis County Central Transfer Station: 1411 S. Tower Ave., Centralia Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. Monday to Saturday
- East Lewis County Transfer Station: 6745 US Highway 12, Morton Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Saturday