



WASHINGTON STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COMMISSION

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Director David Schumacher
Office of Financial Management
MS: 43113

Dear Director Schumacher,

SUBJECT: Contingency Planning Response for WSCJTC

I have reviewed your memo of June 12, 2013, requesting agencies to specify services that may be authorized in the absence of appropriations. None of the operations of the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission (WSCJTC) fall within the four categories described in your memo.

That being said, we have serious concerns about the extremely expensive and disruptive impact of halting our ongoing training of hundreds of police recruits and other criminal justice professionals. The training schedule for each class involves dozens of outside contractors as well as state employees. The "domino effect" of shutting down for even one week will take months from which to recover, will disrupt the training cycles of dozens of police agencies across the state, and will incur tens of thousands of dollars of overtime pay to make up for missed training modules.

I am sure I am not the only Director that feels the need to express my grave concern for our employees who rely on each paycheck to meet their basic needs and the needs of their families, but feel I must do so nonetheless.

Deputy Director Debbie Mealy is the appropriate contact person should you have any questions or need further clarification about the impact of a statewide shutdown of services. She can be reached at 206-835-7352 or dmealy@cjtc.state.wa.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "SR", written over a horizontal line.

Susan L. Rahr
Executive Director

C: Debbie Mealy, Deputy Director

Mission: The Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission enhances public safety by establishing standards and providing education and training.

Values: Professionalism • Integrity • Accountability