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EXEMPTION TO CHAPTER 70A.02.060 RCW ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ASSESSMENT

Under the authority of chapter 70A.02.120(2) RCW, I determine that in the event that Chapter 173-167 WAC; Emergency Drought Funding emergency rule is considered to be a significant agency action under the Healthy Environment for All (HEAL) Act, this emergency rule is exempted from the requirements of chapter 70A.02.060 RCW, including the requirement to complete an environmental justice assessment. I have determined that any in adopting this emergency rule would be likely to cause serious hard to the public interest. Nevertheless, Ecology prepared an environmental justice assessment to the best of its ability under the circumstances in the spirit of advancing the interests of the HEAL Act.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Casey D. Sixkiller".

Casey D. Sixkiller, Director

