



SPOKANE COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY RESOLUTION

Amend RCW 70A.30 Regarding Weather Modification Activities

Executive Summary: This resolution calls for increased public accountability regarding weather modification activities in Washington State. It cites concerns about severe weather events, public transparency, environmental impacts, and ethical issues related to experimentation without informed consent. The resolution notes that current law (RCW 70A.30) authorizes the Department of Ecology to support weather modification research and activities. In response, the Spokane GOP urges the Washington State Legislature to amend the law to repeal that authority and prohibit the authorization, funding, promotion, or conduct of weather modification activities within Washington and elsewhere in the United States.

WHEREAS, Weather systems are complex natural processes that influence climate, ecosystems, agriculture, land formations, and human activity; and

WHEREAS, Washington State has experienced severe weather-related events, including drought conditions, extreme heat, and wildfires; and

WHEREAS, Citizens have expressed concerns regarding observed atmospheric activities and their potential impacts on weather patterns, public health, and the environment; and

WHEREAS, RCW 70A.30 authorizes the Department of Ecology to promote and support research and development activities related to weather modification and control for agricultural, industrial, commercial, and other purposes; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Ecology defines weather modification as the artificial alteration or attempted alteration of atmospheric cloud forms or precipitation processes occurring within the troposphere; and

WHEREAS, Many citizens believe that any weather modification activities conducted or authorized by government agencies should be subject to transparency, public accountability, and informed public participation; and

WHEREAS, Experimentation affecting individuals or communities without their knowledge or consent raises significant ethical and human rights concerns;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Spokane GOP supports amending Chapter 70A.30 RCW to repeal the authority of the Washington State Department of Ecology to promote, authorize, sponsor, or conduct weather modification or weather control experimentation, whether theoretical or operational and;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Spokane County Republican Party declares that the protection of human life is not only a moral imperative but also a foundational principle of ordered liberty, constitutional government, and a just society That the Washington State Legislature is urged to amend RCW 70A.30 to prohibit state authorization, promotion, funding, or conduct of activities intended to modify or control weather within Washington State or any other jurisdiction of the United States.