

<b>SECTION 4</b>	<b>JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES</b>
<i>Revision</i>	The <b>JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES</b> section of the <b>RFA Plan</b> is subject to amendment or revision only by a majority vote of the RFA Governance Board.
<i>Adopted</i>	
<i>Revised</i>	

**A. JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES ON DATE OF FORMATION.**

1. On the Effective Date, the jurisdictional boundaries of the RFA shall be the legal boundaries of the Participating Jurisdictions. The boundaries are depicted on the map attached hereto and marked as **Appendix A** of this RFA Plan.

**B. CHANGES IN JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES AFTER FORMATION OF THE RFA.**

1. Boundary Changes that do not require an RFA Plan amendment.
  - 1.1. **City annexations of areas included within the boundaries of the District.** Such annexations will not affect the RFA since the areas will already be within the RFA boundaries. Pursuant to RCW 52.26.290 there will be no required asset or employee transfers between the fire protection district and the city.
  - 1.2. **City annexations of areas not included within the District.** On the effective date of such annexation, the territory annexed shall automatically be included within the boundaries of the RFA pursuant to RCW 52.26.290. The territory added to the RFA by such annexation shall be subject to the taxation, charges, and bonded indebtedness (if approved as part of the annexation process) of the RFA. Any transfer of assets or employees that occurs as a result of annexation shall be between the transferring entity and the RFA. The RFA will provide all operational and service delivery with respect to fire protection, emergency medical services, and contracted services in the newly annexed territory, unless agreed otherwise in the Inter-local Agreement or subsequent interlocal agreement. The RFA will work in good faith with the City to ensure that annexation processes are not challenged by the RFA and are cooperative with respect to the City and any other fire protection jurisdictions affected by the annexation. The RFA and the City shall include provisions in the Inter-local Agreement that address required consultations between the City and the RFA prior to City annexations, obligations to mitigate impacts to other fire protection districts resulting from annexation, and assurances of cooperative annexation processes that are not challenged by the RFA so long as the annexation is consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan. The RFA will work with the City to maintain up-to-date agreements regarding annexation.
  - 1.3. **Annexation of a portion of the District by a City that is not a Participating Jurisdiction in the RFA.** On the effective date of such annexation, the territory annexed shall automatically be removed from the boundaries of the RFA. In this situation the RFA shall not be obligated

to transfer employees or assets of the RFA and the annexing city shall be restricted solely to assets and employees of the District, if any.

**1.4. RFA Annexations.** Pursuant to RCW 52.26.090(g), the RFA shall have the authority to conduct annexations of unincorporated territory adjacent to the RFA pursuant to the statutory authority and procedures set forth in Chapter 52.04.001 through RCW 52.04.051. During the time period in which the City is providing internal services to the RFA, the RFA shall consult with the City regarding the impacts to such services prior to annexation, as further set forth in the Inter-local Agreement.

**1.5. RFA Partial Mergers.** Pursuant to RCW 52.26.090(g), the RFA shall have the authority to participate in the partial merger process under the authority and pursuant to the procedures set forth in RCW 52.06.090 and .100. During the time period in which the City is providing internal services to the RFA, the RFA shall consult with the City regarding the impacts to such services prior to the merger, as further set forth in the Inter-local Agreement.

**2.** Boundary Changes that require an RFA Plan Amendment.

**2.1. Annexations of Adjacent Fire Protection Jurisdictions.** The boundaries of the RFA may be expanded to include adjacent fire protection jurisdictions through the Plan Amendment and annexation procedures set forth at RCW 52.26.300.

**RFA SECTION 4 PLAN REVISION DISPOSITION:**

The **JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES** section of the **RFA Plan** is subject to amendment or revision only by a majority vote of the RFA Governance Board.