

The Federal Government is hereby instructed to cease and desist, effective immediately, mandates that are beyond the scope of its constitutionally delegated power over Skamania County, Washington

The 10th Amendment to the United States Constitution states:  
The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

The 10th Amendment defines the total scope of federal power as being that specifically granted by the United States Constitution and no more!

The United States Constitution grants the Federal Government, through Congress, the power to exercise authority over all places purchased by the consent of the Legislature of the State in which the same shall be, for the Erection of Forts, Magazines, Arsenals, Dock-yards, and other needful buildings (Art.1,Sec.8,Cl.17).

On May 14, 1889 the people of the Territory of Washington chose seventy-five delegates to form a convention to frame the Washington State Constitution. The convention met at Olympia on the 4th day of July, 1889 and adjourned on the 22th day of August, 1889. The Constitution was ratified by the people at an election held on October 1, 1889 and on November 11, 1889 the President of the United States proclaimed the admission of the State of Washington into the Union on an equal footing with the Original States.

Under the Articles of Confederation, the Original States retained their Sovereignty, Freedom, and Independence and reserved to themselves every power not expressly delegated to the United States Congress. This is how the Original States entered the Union.

THEREFORE:

I, Ken Medenbach, do hereby take title of, and abolish federal power and authority over all places not purchased by the consent of the Washington State Legislature in Skamania County, Washington, by adverse possession.

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