SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



HAWKINS, County Fire Chief

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Fire Department

SUBMITTAL DATE: May 6, 2011

SUBJECT: Closure of Hazardous Fire Areas in the Unincorporated Area of

Riverside County

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors approve closure of all hazardous Fire Areas in the Unincorporated Area of Riverside County until such time as the County Fire Chief permits them to be re-opened.

BACKGROUND: County Ordinance 787 requires the Board of Supervisor's approval for the closure of hazardous fire areas for more than fifteen (15) days. Because of the potential of dangerous fires in these areas and substantial available fuels from excessive winter rains, the County Fire Chief has determined that these areas should be closed as long as the danger exists. These areas will be closed to public except for the public roadways and inhabited areas.

Current F.Y. Total Cost: \$ N/A In Current Year Budget: **FINANCIAL Current F.Y. Net County Cost:** \$ **Budget Adjustment: DATA Annual Net County Cost:** For Fiscal Year: \$ SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 Requires 4/5 Vote C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE **County Executive Office Signature**

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The Hazardous Fire Areas in Riverside County are:

Avery Canyon (Gibbel Rd. East of State in Hemet)

North Mountain and Indian Canyon (San Jacinto)

Whitewater Canyon (Cabazon / North Palm Springs)

Nuevo / Lakeview (East of Menifee Rd. and San Jacinto Ave.)

Minto (Sage)

Reinhardt Canyon (north of Hwy 74 and California Ave. in Hemet)

Ramona Bowl and Bautista Canyon (Southeast Hemet)