

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

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FROM: Riverside County Fire/Office of Emergency Services (OES)

SUBMITTAL DATE:
5/8/2012

SUBJECT: Adoption of Riverside County Operational Area Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Supervisors:

- 1) Adopt Resolution # 2012-128 that identifies Riverside County Fire – Office of Emergency Services as the lead agency for coordination and development of the Riverside County Operational Area Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP); and,
- 2) Adopt Resolution # 2012-128 which amends and replaces Resolution # 2004-485 and updates the Riverside County Operational Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation (LHMP) for a 5-year period; and
- 3) Directs Riverside County Fire – OES to forward the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan to California Emergency Management Agency and Federal Emergency Management Agency for approval.

BACKGROUND The purpose of the Multi-Jurisdictional LHMP is to secure (Continued on Page 2)

Peter Lent
By Peter Lent, Deputy Director, County Fire, OES
For John R. Hawkins, County Fire Chief

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$0	In Current Year Budget:	No
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$0	For Fiscal Year:	11/12

SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature BY: *Michael R. Shetler*
Michael R. Shetler

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
BY: *Eric Stopher*
ERIC STOPHER
DATE: 5/3/12
Departmental Concurrence

Policy
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 Consent
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Dep't Recomm.:
 Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.: Oct. 19, 2004, 3.19 | **District:** ALL | **Agenda Number:**

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SUBMITTAL DATE: May 8, 2012
DEPT: Riverside County Fire/Office of Emergency Services
SUBJECT: Adoption of Riverside County Operational Area Multi-Jurisdictional
Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP)

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BACKGROUND (Continued):

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pre-disaster planning and mitigation project grant assistance at the state, tribal and local government levels.

Disaster Mitigation Action (DMA) 2000 (Public Law 106-390) provides the legal basis for FEMA mitigation planning requirements for State, local and Indian Tribal governments as a condition of mitigation grant assistance. DMA 2000 amended the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act by repealing the previous mitigation planning provisions and replacing them with a new set of requirements that emphasize the need for State, local, and Indian Tribal entities to closely coordinate mitigation planning and implementation efforts.

DMA 2000 also established a new requirement for local mitigation plans and authorized up to 7 percent of Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funds available to a State for development of State, local, and Indian Tribal mitigation plans.

Riverside County Fire – Office of Emergency Services is committed to the goals of developing and maintaining an all-inclusive Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan that includes all jurisdictions, special districts, businesses and community organizations to promote consistency, continuity and a comprehensive plan to mitigate potential risks that will reduce or eliminate long-term risk to Riverside County residents and property from natural or man-made hazards.

The Riverside County Operational Area Multi-jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan addresses our goals and mitigation strategies that reflect our top four (4) hazards and risks which are earthquake, wildfire, flood and drought and is updated every 5 years, per DMA 2000.

Riverside County Fire - OES developed and coordinated a 12-month planning process that included several meetings, presentations and workshops to assist the participants with the development of their individual Local Hazard Mitigation Plans. There are approximately 53 participants that have submitted a Letter of Commitment or submitted a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Annex to incorporate into the Riverside Operational Area Plan. The participants include local city jurisdictions, special districts, educational institutions, tribal communities, utility and water districts, military and other key stakeholders.

The FEMA funds support hazard mitigation projects such as retro-fitting vulnerable structures, elevating flood prone homes, dead tree removal and other pre-disaster mitigation projects.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

There is currently no financial impact to the county at this time, but will impact our future eligibility to apply for FEMA mitigation grant assistance if not approved and implemented.

2 RESOLUTION NO. 2012-128

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4 **A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY OPERATIONAL AREA MULTI-**
5 **JURISDICTIONAL LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN AS REQUIRED BY THE**
6 **FEDERAL DISASTER MITIGATION AND COST REDUCTION ACT OF 2000.**

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8 **WHEREAS**, President William J. Clinton signed H.R. 707, the Disaster Mitigation
9 and Cost Reduction Act of 2000, into law on October 30, 2000.

10 **WHEREAS**, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires all jurisdictions to be
11 covered by a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan to be eligible for Federal Emergency
12 Management Agency post-disaster funds; and

13 **WHEREAS**, The Riverside County Fire Department - Office of Emergency Services
14 has acted as the lead agency in the development of the Riverside County Operational
15 Area Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the Riverside County Fire Department- Office of Emergency Services
17 coordinated the development of the Riverside County Operational Area Multi-Jurisdictional
18 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the County of Riverside and the participating jurisdictions authority are
20 within the Riverside County Operational Area, and

21 **WHEREAS**, the County of Riverside is concerned about mitigating potential losses
22 from natural disasters before they occur, and

23 **WHEREAS**, the plan identifies potential hazards, potential loses and potential
24 mitigation measures to limit loses, and

25 **WHEREAS**, the California State of Emergency Services has reviewed the plan on
26 behalf of the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and

27 **WHEREAS**, formal adoption of the plan by the County of Riverside is required
28 before final approval of the plan can be obtained from the Federal Emergency
29 Management Agency; and

1 **WHEREAS**, The County of Riverside has determined that it would be in the best
2 interest of the County as a whole to adopt the Riverside County Operational Area Multi-
3 Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.

4 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**
5 **HEREBY ADOPTS** the Riverside County Operational Area Multi-Jurisdictional Local
6 Hazard Mitigation Plan to meet the requirements of the Disaster Mitigation and Cost
7 Reduction Act of 2000 and directs the Riverside County Fire Department – Office of
8 Emergency Services to forward the Riverside County Operational Area Multi-Jurisdictional
9 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan to the California Emergency Management Agency and
10 Federal Emergency Management Agency on behalf of the County and all other adopting
11 jurisdictions for final approval.

12 **PASSED AND APPROVED** at a regular meeting of the Riverside County Board of
13 Supervisors on this _____ day of _____, 2012.

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL

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BY:  ERIC STOPHER
DATE: 5/3/12