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



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MEETING DATE: August 16, 2018

FROM: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT:

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT: Ratify Proclamation of Local

Emergency in Riverside County due to the Holy Fire.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

 Adopt Resolution No. 2018-170 to ratify the proclamation of Local Emergency as declared by the Director of Emergency Services.

ACTION:

Bruce Barton, EMD Director

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST				
NET COUNTY COST				,
SOURCE OF FUNDS	Budget Ad	Budget Adjustment: No		
			For Fiscal	Year:

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The Holy Fire began Monday afternoon, August 6, 2018, in the Cleveland National Forest and quickly moved from Orange County into Riverside County. Conditions of extreme peril to people, property and critical infrastructure have necessitated the mandatory evacuation of several communities near Lake Elsinore and Temescal Valley. At the beginning of the incident, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside was not in session, necessitating the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim that a "Local Emergency" exists in Riverside County. It is requested that the Board of Supervisors adopt Resolution No. 2018-170 to ratify the Proclamation of Local Emergency as declared by the Director of Emergency Services.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

More than 20,000 residents have been impacted by the fire, having to evacuate the area. The ongoing fire and aftermath will necessitate resources from both State and local entities. The Proclamation of Local Emergency begins the process to receive resources for assistance to first responders, residents and others impacted by the fire.

Principal Management Analyst

Gregory V. Priapios, Director County Counsel

BY: GREGORY P. BRIANDS & CEDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-170

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE RATIFYING EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, County Ordinance No. 533 empowers the Director of Emergency Services of the County of Riverside to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a Local Emergency when the County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the County Board of Supervisors is not in session, subject to the ratification by the County Board of Supervisors within seven (7) days; and

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to safety of persons and property have arisen within this County, caused by the Holy Fire in the Cleveland National Forest which has crossed into Riverside County and is moving toward Lake Elsinore, Temescal Valley and surrounding communities, commencing on or about 1:30 p.m. on the 6th day of August, 2018.

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services of the County of Riverside did proclaim the existence of a Local Emergency within said County on the 9th day of August, 2018; now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the proclamation of a Local Emergency by the Director of Emergency Services of the County of Riverside is hereby ratified, and that said Local Emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the County Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the local emergency created by the Holy Fire not only includes the current fire conditions but also includes conditions in the burn areas of the Holy Fire have left communities extremely vulnerable to debris flow and flooding during rain events.

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PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, Riverside County Ordinance No. 533 empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence of a Local Emergency when the County Board of Supervisors is not in session, and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services finds:

- (1) That at the time of this proclamation the County Board of Supervisors is not in session;
- (2) That conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the County of Riverside caused by the Holy Fire incident, prompting the largest evacuation of residents in Riverside County history affecting approximately 5,948 homes in the communities of Sycamore Creek, Glen Eden, Horsethief Canyon, Rice Canyon, McVicker, El Cariso Village, Rancho Capistrano and other neighboring communities as the fire approaches Lake Elsinore; and
- (3) That the fire has exceeded 9,600 acres burned with 5% containment and the fire's proximity poses severe and imminent threat to numerous residential and commercial property within these communities, as well as the potential to impact other communities; and
- (4) That the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of a Local Emergency; now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a Local Emergency exists throughout the County of Riverside, commencing on or about 1:30 p.m. of the 6th day of August, 2018; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said Local Emergency, the powers, functions and duties of the Director of Emergency Services shall be those prescribed by state law and the ordinances, resolutions, and approved plan of the County of Riverside in order to mitigate the effects of said Local Emergency, and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that said Local Emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist for the next seven (7) days, and hereafter by ratification of the County Board

1	of Supervisors, until its termination is proclaimed by the County Board of Supervisors of the County of
2	Riverside.
3	Dated: 8/9/18 / Keyr Collinson
4	Director of Emergency Services County of Riverside
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