

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



ITEM  
3.6  
(ID # 9225)

**MEETING DATE:**

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

**FROM :** EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT:

**SUBJECT:** EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT: Ratify the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the County of Orange and the County of Riverside for Emergency Assistance to the Holy Fire Incident. District 1 [\$0].

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and execute the MOA between the County of Orange and the County of Riverside for provision of emergency assistance resources to the Holy Fire for the period of August 9, 2018 through August 18, 2018.

**ACTION:**Policy

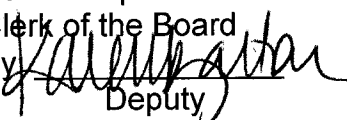
  
Bruce Barton, EMD Director 3/4/2019

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Spiegel and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: March 19, 2019  
xc: EMD

Kecia Harper  
Clerk of the Board  
By   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS: Qualifying expenses to be paid by Fire Management Assistance Grant from FEMA (100 % Federal Funds)</b>			<b>Budget Adjustment: No</b>	
			<b>For Fiscal Year: 18/19</b>	

**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 necessitated the mandatory evacuation of several communities near Lake Elsinore and Temescal Valley. The Director of Emergency Services proclaimed a "Local Emergency" in Riverside County on August 9, 2018. The Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2018-170 in a special meeting on August 16, 2018, to ratify the Proclamation of Local Emergency as declared by the Director of Emergency Services. A Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) was approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the incident period August 9 – August 18, 2018.

On August 8<sup>th</sup>, Unified Command for the Holy Fire decided that the County of Orange would continue the operation of the public information center for the incident. The County Emergency Manager of the County of Riverside therefore requested mutual assistance resources from the County of Orange in accordance with the state Emergency Management Mutual Aid (EMMA) Agreement. The County of Orange provided mutual assistance consisting of emergency management support from August 8, 2018 through August 13, 2018.

The MOA authorizes reimbursement of all reasonable costs associated with provision of mutual assistance by the County of Orange to the County of Riverside related to the Holy Fire incident. The County of Orange will document all costs associated with their response to the incident and will submit the reimbursement packet to the Emergency Management Department on behalf of the County of Riverside.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

More than 20,000 residents were impacted by the fire and had to evacuate the area. The fire and aftermath necessitated resources from both State and local entities, including the County of Orange.

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Gregory B. Priapfos, Director County Counsel 3/4/2019

Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan

## PRE/POST-EVENT AGREEMENT

### MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) BETWEEN COUNTY OF ORANGE (*PROVIDING JURISDICTION*) AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE (*REQUESTING JURISDICTION*) PERTAINING TO ASSISTANCE PROVIDED UNDER THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MUTUAL AID (EMMA) PLAN

*NOTE: Use of such an agreement does not guarantee state or federal reimbursement.*

**WHEREAS**, on Monday, August 6, 2018 at approximately 1317 hours, a fire started in the Holy Jim Canyon-Cleveland National Forest. The event was named the "Holy Fire." The fire moved swiftly in an east/northeast direction towards Riverside County, threatening critical communications towers in Orange County, requiring mandatory evacuations and road closures including Highway 74, which affected both Counties. Incident Command established a single Joint Information Center for both Orange and Riverside Counties at the Orange County Operational Area Emergency Operations Center.

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan delineates the current state policy concerning Emergency Management Mutual Aid; and

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan describes the standard procedures used to acquire emergency management mutual aid resources and the method to ensure coordination of emergency management mutual aid planning and readiness; and

**WHEREAS**, the county emergency manager is the Operational Area Emergency Management Mutual Aid Coordinator; and

**WHEREAS**, Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan provides, in pertinent part, "When an emergency develops or appears to be developing which cannot be resolved by emergency management resources within an Operational Area, it is the responsibility of the Operational Area Mutual Aid Coordinator to provide assistance and coordination to control the problem;" and

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan provides, in pertinent part, "A request for emergency management mutual aid requires the approval of an authorized official of the requesting jurisdiction;" and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the Unified Command decision to have one public information center for the incident to be located in the County of Orange, the County Emergency Manager of the County of Riverside requested the mutual aid assistance of the County of Orange, pursuant to the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan to provide emergency management support in connection with Holy Fire; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Orange provided emergency management mutual aid consisting of emergency management personnel, equipment, and/or materials from August 8, 2018 through August 13, 2018 to assist with emergency management services in connection with the Holy Fire; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Orange agrees to document all of its mutual aid assistance costs related to the Holy Fire as attachments to the executed MOA and submit to the County of Riverside as soon as practicable, and

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agrees to maintain all records required under this MOA for a period of not less than seven years or until final audit has been completed;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED** by and between the County of Riverside and County of Orange that the County of Riverside shall reimburse all reasonable costs associated with Orange County emergency management mutual aid assistance during the Holy Fire.

**Providing Jurisdiction**

By [Signature]

Name: Lisa Bartlett

Title: Chairwoman

County: Orange

Date: 1-8-19

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL  
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

By [Signature]

Date: 12/20/18

**Requesting Jurisdiction**

By [Signature]

Name: KEVIN JEFFRIES

Title: CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

County: Riverside

Date: MAR 19 2019

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL

BY: [Signature] 3/20/19  
GREGORY P. PRIAMOS DATE

ATTEST:  
KECIA R. HARPER, Clerk  
By [Signature]  
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**DEFINITIONS**

- Authorized Official:** A person with expressed authority by a legal governing body to request resources, authorize purchases, and/or enter into contracts on behalf of a Requesting or Providing Jurisdiction during an emergency.
- EMMA Resource:** A person with a combination of training, experience and credentials that would serve in an ICS position, either in the field or an EOC, or as a technical specialist during an emergency response.
- Operational Area (OA):** An intermediate level of the state emergency services organization consisting of a county and all political subdivisions within the county area.
- Providing Agency/Jurisdiction:** The government entity providing EMMA resources. The different levels of providing jurisdictions include providing local jurisdiction, providing OA and providing region.
- Requesting Jurisdiction:** The government entity requesting EMMA resources. The different levels of requesting jurisdictions include requesting local jurisdiction, requesting OA and requesting region.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

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FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY: GREGORY P. BRANSON  
DATE

ATTEST:  
KEVIN J. HARRIS, Clerk  
BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
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FACSIMILE SIGNATURE AUTHORIZED  
PER G.C. SEC. 25103, RESO 79-1535  
SIGNED AND CERTIFIED THAT A COPY OF  
THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DELIVERED  
TO THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD



ATTEST:  
*[Handwritten signature]*  
ROBIN STIELER  
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA