REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AND RECORD OF ACTION

June 10, 2025

<u>FROM</u>

DAN MUNSEY, Fire Chief/Fire Warden, San Bernardino County Fire Protection District

SUBJECT

Adoption of Ordinance Related to the Designation of Fire Hazard Severity Zones in Local Responsibility Areas

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Acting as the governing body of the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District, adopt **Ordinance No. 4489** designating the Fire Hazard Severity Zones in the Local Responsibility Areas of the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District, State of California in accordance with Government Code Sections 51178, 51179, and 51177(e), which was introduced on May 20, 2025, Item No. 109.

(Presenter: Dan Munsey, Fire Chief/Fire Warden, 387-5779)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Improve County Government Operations.

Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents. Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of the recommended actions will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost) as this adoption to the proposed ordinance is non-financial in nature.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On May 20, 2025 (Item No. 109), the ordinance designating the Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ) in the Local Responsibility Areas (LRA) of the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District (SBCFPD) was introduced and scheduled for final adoption on June 10, 2025. The recommendation before the Board of Directors today will adopt the ordinance on the Consent Calendar.

The proposed ordinance will designate the FHSZ classifications - moderate, high, and very high zones within SBCFPD's jurisdiction. The FHSZ classifications provide a more precise assessment of the wildfire risks using modern climate data and advanced fire modeling. This information is important to SBCFPD who is responsible for wildfire protection in the LRA.

In accordance with Government Code section 50022 et seq., at the June 10, 2025, Board meeting, the Board may amend, adopt or reject the ordinance.

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Lastly, within 30 days of adopting the ordinance designating FHSZ, SBCFPD shall submit a copy of the ordinance and a map depicting the adopted zones within the LRA to the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection pursuant to California Code of Regulations §1280.02.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Richard Luczak and Jolena Grider, Deputies County Counsel, 387-5455) on May 7, 2025; Finance (Ivan Ramirez, Administrative Analyst, 387-4020) on May 20, 2025; and County Finance and Administration (Valerie Clay, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on May 20, 2025.

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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Curt Hagman Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, SECRETARY

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DATED: June 10, 2025



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