

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY
(By Director of Emergency Services)

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 8630 and San Bernardino County Code section 21.0101 et seq. empower the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when San Bernardino County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County does hereby find:

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service issued a Tropical Storm Warning on August 18, 2023, warning of Conditions of damage and extreme peril to the safety and persons and property within San Bernardino County; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service issued a series of Flood Watches on August, 18, 2023, warning of potential significant flooding between August 19, 2023 and August 22, 2023 in San Bernardino County; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service issued a series of Flash Flood Warnings on August 18, 2023, for San Bernardino County; and

WHEREAS, burn scars from the Apple and El Dorado fires create conditions of dangerous and potentially catastrophic flooding, mudslides, and debris flows; and

WHEREAS, damaged and closed roads will create an economic burden to affected communities that rely on vehicular tourist traffic; and

WHEREAS, damage may continue due to ongoing weather activity including rain, mudslides, debris runoff, and flooding; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the San Bernardino County is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a local emergency exists throughout said County; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that as of this date all County departments and agencies take those actions, measures and steps deemed necessary to assure the safety and welfare of San Bernardino County residents and property, including requesting mutual aid to the extent such aid is necessary and during the existence of said local emergency the powers and duties of the emergency organization of the County shall be those prescribed by State law, by charter, ordinances, and resolutions of this County, and by the current San Bernardino County Emergency Plan, as approved by the Board of Supervisors.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that this local emergency be ratified by the County Board of Supervisors in accordance to section 8630 of the California Government Code.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors or it is terminated by operation of law.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of California.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Director of the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

Dated: AUGUST 20, 2023

Time of Signing: 1:41 pm



Luther Snoke, Chief Operating Officer
Director of Emergency Services,
San Bernardino County
