REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY AND RECORD OF ACTION

March 28, 2023

FROM

LEONARD X. HERNANDEZ, Chief Executive Officer, County Administrative Office

SUBJECT

Continuation of the Proclamation of Local Emergency – 2022 September Storm Event

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Continue the Local Emergency Proclamation within San Bernardino County originally proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors on September 15, 2022, resulting from the extreme storm event that started on September 9, 2022, and impacted San Bernardino County. (Presenter: Daniel Muñoz, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-5807)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Provide for the Safety, Health, and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost) as there is no cost or financial impact associated with the continuation of this local emergency.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On September 9, 2022, the start of an extreme storm event impacted various sections of the County. Remnants of Hurricane Kay produced conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the County, in the form of infrastructure damage from extreme weather including intense rain, wind, flooding, and debris flow.

On September 12, 2022, at approximately 1500 hours, a cell from this system produced up to 2.4 inches of rain within one hour over the El Dorado/Apple Fire Burn Scar resulting in a need for emergency protection measures, evacuation orders, shelter in place orders, emergency repairs/detours, and search and rescue operations of areas impacted by debris flow.

Because of the extensive damage resulting from this extreme storm event, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), while serving as the Director of Emergency Services, proclaimed the existence of a local emergency on September 14, 2022. On September 15, 2022 (Item No. 1), the Board of Supervisors (Board) ratified the action taken by the CEO, serving as the Director of Emergency Services.

The extension of the Local Emergency Proclamation allows the County to extend certain emergency environmental notifications and permits in the impacted communities as a part of ongoing recovery and mitigation efforts. Mitigation work for sediment removal in the impacted area is anticipated through October 2023. Maintaining the local emergency proclamation allows

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the necessary Federal and State approvals to be obtained for mitigation work to move forward and the time for this work to be completed. The Board last took action to continue this local emergency on February 7, 2023 (Item No. 16).

Pursuant to Government Code section 8630(c), the Board shall review the need for continuing the local emergency at least once every 60 days until the Board terminates the local emergency. Board approval of this recommendation would continue the local emergency for an additional period in accordance with Government Code section 8630(c).

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Richard Luczak, County Counsel, 387-3413) on March 1, 2023; Finance (Carl Lofton, Administrative Analyst, 387-5404) on March 13, 2023; and County Finance and Administration (Robert Saldana, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on March 13, 2023.

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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, CLERK OF THE BOARD

DATED: March 28, 2023



cc: File - Emergency/2022 September Storm Event

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