

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SHASTA
TERMINATING THE PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY
DUE TO STORM AND FLOOD DAMAGE
OCCURRING IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2017**

WHEREAS, Section 2.72.060, Shasta County Code of the County of Shasta empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency if the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 8630 empowers the Board of Supervisors to proclaim the existence of a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property arose within the County of Shasta, in that on January 9, 2017, road and culvert damage was discovered on Whiskey Creek Road, resulting in the road being impassable, and a slide occurred on Big Bend Road, in an unincorporated area of the County of Shasta; and

WHEREAS, extreme and hazardous weather conditions continued thus exacerbating the conditions of extreme peril to safety of persons and property and hindering efforts to abate or mitigate those conditions; and

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2017, the Shasta County Public Works Director advised the Sheriff that there was already over \$300,000 of infrastructure damage, including damage to roads, culverts and above average snow removal cost as a result of recent storms; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department has also incurred an additional \$50,000 in overtime and materials costs to do emergency road opening work on storm damaged roads; and

WHEREAS, conditions from the initial proclamation of a local emergency had not been remedied and new storms continued to hamper and delay the County's ability to respond to the local emergency conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors was not in session and on January 19, 2017 the Director of Emergency Services of the County did proclaim the existence of a local emergency within the County of Shasta as a result of storm damage and after consideration of the information provided by the Public Works Director; and

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2017, the Governor issued two Proclamations of a State of Emergency, both of which included County of Shasta; and

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2017, the Board of Supervisors found that the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril that directly endangered persons and property within unincorporated and incorporated areas of the County warranted and necessitated the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency and adopted Resolution No. 2017-009; and

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2017, the Shasta County Board of Supervisors proclaimed and ordered that during the existence of this local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of this county shall be those prescribed by state law, ordinances and resolutions of this county approved by the Board of Supervisors, and by the Shasta Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan, as approved by the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2017 the Shasta County Board of Supervisors ratified the proclamation of a "local emergency" by the Director of Emergency Services by adopting Resolution No. 2017-009 and proclaimed and ordered that said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta, State of California and that the Shasta County Board of Supervisors shall review the need for continuing the local emergency at least once every 30 days until its termination is proclaimed by the Shasta County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the January 24, 2017 Shasta County's declaration was forwarded to the Governor of California; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the January 24, 2017 Shasta County's declaration was forwarded to the California Office of Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2017, another significant rain event began and caused additional damage in parts of the unincorporated and the incorporated areas of the County, which included major damage, above and beyond the damage previously reported to the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, in the early morning hours of February 6, 2017, evacuations were ordered in the area of Wonderland Boulevard due to localized flooding of creeks and tributaries and a temporary Red Cross Shelter was opened for local residents affected by the evacuations; and

WHEREAS, local flooding also damaged several businesses and private residences in and around the area of Shasta Lake City; and

WHEREAS, as of February 7, 2017, additional damage occurred in the area of Keswick Dam Road (City of Redding); Williamson Road and Hot Springs Road (unincorporated area); and damage to roadways within the City of Anderson; and

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2017, the Board of Supervisors recognized that the circumstances that led to the January 24, 2017 proclamation ratification continued to exist and adopted Resolution No. 2017-014 to continue the proclamation; and

WHEREAS, after February 7, 2017, the National Weather Service predicted additional storms to hit Shasta County over the next several days; and

WHEREAS, on February 10, 2017, citing higher than normal water releases from Shasta and Keswick dams, the Shasta County Sheriff closed the Sacramento River to boating and other recreation for public safety; and

WHEREAS, on or about February 12, 2017, the flows out of Keswick Dam increased to about 70,000 cfs, and on February 13, 2017, the release increased to 79,000 cfs, causing flooding around the low level areas of the incorporated cities of Redding and Anderson, and the unincorporated areas of Shasta County; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2017, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approved a Major Disaster Declaration DR-4301 for California Severe Winter Storms, Flooding, and Mudslides for the incident period January 3, 2017 to January 12, 2017, of which Shasta County was included on the declaration map as an area eligible for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, as of February 27, 2017, the releases from Keswick Dam continued to remain at unsafe levels for the public, thus a full assessment could not be accurately made until such levels were reduced significantly; and

WHEREAS, as of February 27, 2017, there were still several road closures in the incorporated and unincorporated parts of Shasta County; and

WHEREAS, conditions from the initial proclamation of a local emergency had not been remedied and flooding continued to hamper and delay the County's ability to respond to the local emergency conditions; and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2017, the Board of Supervisors recognized that the circumstances that led to the January 24, 2017 proclamation ratification continued to exist and adopted Resolution No. 2017-033 to continue the proclamation; and

WHEREAS, since March 7, 2017, the Sheriff has re-opened the Sacramento River for recreational use and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation has been incrementally decreasing Shasta and Keswick Dam releases; and

WHEREAS, with river levels significantly reduced, public and private entities have had an opportunity to assess areas previously under water for additional damages; and

WHEREAS, conditions resulting in the initial proclamation of a local emergency causing extreme peril to safety of persons and property have ceased; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta that the local emergency proclamation due to storm damage and flooding in January and February 2017 is terminated.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of March, 2017 by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:
RECUSE:

DAVID A. KEHOE, CHAIRMAN
Board of Supervisors
County of Shasta
State of California

ATTEST:
LAWRENCE G. LEES
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By _____
Deputy