

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF SHASTA  
PROCLAIMING CONTINUATION OF A LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY RELATED TO  
THE CARR FIRE**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 101080, the Health Officer for the County of Shasta is authorized to proclaim the existence of a local health emergency when this County or any area of the county is affected or likely to be affected by such a public health threat while the Board of Supervisors is not in session, subject to ratification by the Board of Supervisors within seven days, and subject to reaffirmation every 14 days thereafter until such local health emergency is terminated; and

**WHEREAS**, conditions of imminent and proximate threat of the introduction of health hazards to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the County of Shasta, in that conditions of the Carr Fire beginning on July 23, 2018, have created and are continuing to create debris and potentially toxic ash, which may be or which may become hazardous waste and a threat to public health; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 26, 2018, the Shasta County Emergency Services Director (Sheriff) proclaimed the existence of a local emergency due to the Carr Fire in Shasta County and such proclamation was confirmed and ratified by the Shasta County Board of Supervisors through Resolution No. 2018-067 on July 30, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the scope of disaster caused by the fast-moving and widespread scope of the destruction of the fire, including loss of many homes and evacuation of thousands of people, has caused the Governor of the State of California to proclaim a State of Emergency on July 26, 2018, and declare eligibility for Fire Management Assistance Grant and other relief programs; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 28, 2018, President Donald J. Trump declared the existence of a major disaster in the State of California and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by wildfires, including the Carr Fire, beginning on July 23, 2018, and continuing; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 1, 2018, the Shasta County Health Officer proclaimed a local health emergency due to the hazards of the Carr Fire at which time the Board of Supervisors was not in session; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 1, 2018, the County Executive Officer submitted a letter to the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services requesting direct assistance from the State of California to remove hazardous waste and debris from the property sites within the Carr Fire areas and that such cleanup and removal be commenced as soon as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, the combustion of building materials such as siding, roofing tiles, and insulation result in dangerous ash that may contain asbestos, heavy metals, and other hazardous substances, and household hazardous substances such as paint, gasoline, cleaning products, pesticides, compressed gas cylinders, and chemicals may have been stored in homes, garages, or sheds that may have burned or been released in the fire, producing hazardous substances; and

**WHEREAS**, exposure to hazardous substances may lead to acute and/or chronic health effects and may cause long-term public health and environmental health impacts; uncontrolled hazardous substances and debris pose significant threats to public health through inhalation of dust particles and contamination of drinking water supplies; and improper handling can expose residents and workers to toxic materials, and improper transport and disposal of fire debris can spread hazardous substance within communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors found on August 6, 2018, by adoption of Resolution No. 2018-068 that the aforesaid conditions of imminent and proximate threat of the introduction of health hazards did warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local health emergency and request for direct assistance from the State of California to remove hazardous waste and debris from the property sites within the Carr Fire areas in Shasta County and that such cleanup and removal be commenced as soon as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, as of August 8, 2018, the Carr Fire continues to burn in Shasta County and is 47% contained; and

**WHEREAS**, exposure to fire-generated toxic materials and hazardous substances continues due to fire debris removal activities at affected sites.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED**, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta that a local health emergency due to effects from the Carr Fire continues to exist in Shasta County.

**NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, PROCLAIMED, AND ORDERED** that this Board of Supervisors shall review the need for continuing the local emergency at least once every 14 days until its termination is proclaimed by this Board.

**DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 14th day of August, 2018, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:  
RECUSE:

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LES BAUGH, CHAIRMAN  
Board of Supervisors  
County of Shasta  
State of California

ATTEST:

LAWRENCE G. LEES  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy