

*Before the Board of Supervisors  
County of Monterey, State of California*

**Resolution No.: 26-012**

- a. Authorize and approve the Director of the Department of Emergency Management and/or designee to execute a Grant Agreement with the California Fire Safe Council accepting a grant award of \$151,500 to provide a Wildfire County Coordinator to implement the Wildfire County Coordinators Initiative with a grant performance period of January 1, 2026, to July 31, 2026; and
- b. Approve an increase in appropriations and estimated revenues of \$151,500 in the Department of Emergency Management (DEM) Adopted Budget Unit 001-1040-DEM001-8588 (4/5ths vote required); and
- c. Amend the Department of Emergency Management FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget 001-1040-DEM001-8588 to allocate one (1) 1.0 FTE Emergency Services Planner (41G01) as indicated in Attachment B; and
- d. Direct the County Administrative Office and the Auditor-Controller to incorporate the approved position changes and amend the Department of Emergency Management's FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget 001-1040-DEM001-8588 by \$151,500 funded by the California Fire Safe Council 2025 Wildfire Grant Program.

**RECITALS:**

**WHEREAS**, the California Fire Safe Council (CFSC) announced an additional funding opportunity for the 2025 Wildfire County Coordinator Grant Program. The Department of Emergency Management (DEM) applied for and was notified on December 15, 2025, that they were approved for the California Fire Safe Council 2025 Wildfire County Coordinators Grant Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Emergency Management is requesting the allocation of 1.0 FTE Emergency Services Planner to address the increase in workload and complexity of operations associated with enhancement of wildfire resilience through stronger local planning, community engagement, and coordination for the Wildfire County Coordinator Grant Program; and

**WHEREAS**, this position will be a valuable resource for the County by enhancing the Operational Area capacity leading efforts to unify, implement mitigation strategies, support county-wide wildfire planning, and contribute to statewide data and preparedness initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, this new role will coordinate efforts with state and local fire protection districts, Monterey County Fire Safe Council, the Resource Conservation District of Monterey County, and Monterey County Housing and Community Development to ensure a coordinated, cross-agency approach to wildfire mitigation.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors in and for the County of Monterey as follows:

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**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on this 13<sup>h</sup> day of January 2026, by roll call vote:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Church, Root Askew and Daniels  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Supervisor Lopez

I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 82 for the meeting on January 13, 2026.

REVISED Dated: April 21, 2026  
File ID: RES 26-001  
Agenda Item No.: 30

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Monterey, State of California

  
Margarita Hernandez, Deputy