

**PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY
BY COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

In the Matter of Proclaiming the Existence)
of a Local Emergency within Monterey County)

WHEREAS, the California Emergency Services Act (Government Code section 8630, et. seq.) establishes procedures for proclaiming emergencies and for responding promptly to the needs that arise during emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.68.060 of the Monterey County Code and Section 8630 of the Government Code empower the County Administrative Officer or his designee, or the Board of Supervisors if the Board of Supervisors is in session, to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the County is affected by or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and

WHEREAS, an atmospheric river event occurring between February 7, 2017 through February 12, 2017 has resulted in multiple significant rainfall events causing damage to public infrastructure and private property within Monterey County; and

WHEREAS, damages to infrastructure have included landslide conditions throughout the Santa Lucia Mountains and specifically, in the Big Sur area; and

WHEREAS, such damages have resulted in landslides that have damaged the Pfeiffer Canyon bridge causing a significant structural deficit, possibly isolating several communities and businesses in the Big Sur area; and

WHEREAS, efforts to respond to, mitigate, and recover from this storms related damage involve assets from Monterey County government, and other local governments in Monterey County and exceed the County of Monterey's ability to mitigate and recover from this possible isolation of the Big Sur area; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency and immediate action is necessary to mitigate public calamity, and

WHEREAS, the County Administrative Officer has made every reasonable effort to confer with one or more members of the Board of Supervisors;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED AS FOLLOWS:

1. A local emergency, as defined in Government Section 8558c and Public Contract Code Section 1102, now exists throughout the County of Monterey; and
2. During the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the County Administrative Officer or his designee, the Resource Management Agency, and the Emergency Organization of this County shall be those prescribed by State law and the ordinances, resolutions, and approved plans of the County of Monterey in order to mitigate the effects of said local emergency; and

4. Pursuant to Public Contract Code Sections 20134, 22050, and 20395, the Resource Management Agency Director or his designee is hereby authorized to engage independent contractors to complete all necessary work to mitigate the effects of said local emergency. Contracts for this work may be executed without prior Board approval of the plans, specifications, and working details, without giving notice for bids to let contracts; and

5. The County Administrative Officer, Lew C. Bauman, or his designee, is hereby designated as the authorized representative for public and individual assistance of the County of Monterey for the purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available state and federal assistance.

SIGNED AND SUBSCRIBED at Salinas, California this 15th day of February, 2017.

Nicholas E. Chiles, for

Lew C. Bauman
County Administrative Officer