

**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, Monterey County Code section 2.68.025 and Government Code section 8630(c) empower the County Administrative Officer or her designee to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when Monterey County is affected by or likely to be affected by a public calamity, if the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

WHEREAS, an atmospheric river event commencing on December 23, 2025 and continuing through January 2, 2026 has resulted in heavy rainfall, extremely strong winds, downed trees, mudslides, power outages, runoff and flash flooding, coastal flooding, coastal erosion and high surf hazards causing damage to public infrastructure and private property within Monterey County; 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 the effects of the local emergency and preserve the safety for the public; and

WHEREAS, this local emergency does not permit a delay resulting from a competitive solicitation of bids for contracts, and immediate action is necessary to respond to the emergency, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey is not in session as of the time of execution of this proclamation; and

WHEREAS, every reasonable effort has been made to confer with one or more members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED, as defined in Government Code section 8558(c) and Public Contract Code section 1102 that a local emergency now exists throughout Monterey County:

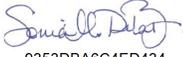
That during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the County Administrative Officer and the Emergency Organization of this County shall be those prescribed by State law and the ordinances, resolutions, and approved plans of the County of Monterey in order to mitigate the effects of said local emergency; and

During the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the County Administrative Officer or designee, the Sheriff's Office, Department of Public Works, Facilities, and Parks, Department of Housing and Community Development, and the Emergency Organization of the County of Monterey 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 the local emergency; and

Pursuant to Public Contract Code sections 20134, 20395, and 22050, the Director of Public Works, Facilities and Parks or their designees are 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.

The County Administrative Officer, or 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 30th day of December 2025.

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Sonia M. De La Rosa
County Administrative Officer
County of Monterey