

Monterey County Board of Supervisors

Board Order

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A motion was made by Supervisor Chris Lopez, seconded by Supervisor Glenn Church to:

Adopt Resolution No.: 23-148

Continue the Local Health Emergency for the Monterey County March 2023 Storms.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 25th day of April 2023, by roll call vote:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Church, Lopez, Askew, and Adams

NOES: None ABSENT: None

(Government Code 54953)

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 April 25, 2023.

Dated: April 27, 2023 File ID: RES 23-066 Agenda Item No.: 24

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

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Emmanuel H. Santos, Deputy



County of Monterey

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Board Report

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Adopt a Resolution to:

Continue the Local Health Emergency for the Monterey County March 2023 Storms.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors adopt a Resolution to: Continue the Local Health Emergency for the Monterey County March 2023 Storms.

DISCUSSION:

The Monterey County Storms have created conditions of potential exposure to hazardous waste, specifically damage to open spaces, structures and dwellings which has compromised containers with hazardous waste, which in turn represents a substantial present or potential threat to human health and the environment.

The circumstances of potential release of hazardous materials, by reason of the magnitude and frequency of the storms, are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of any single local government and will require the combined forces of a mutual aid region, regions, and state.

On March 22, the County Health Officer, Dr. Edward Moreno, declared a Local Health Emergency. On March 28, 2023, the Board of Supervisors ratified the March 22nd Local Health Emergency. Once ratified, the Board of Supervisors must review at least every 30 days the need for continuing a Local Health Emergency. Most but not all affected properties have completed Phase 1 removal of household hazardous waste through coordinated efforts with the California Department of Toxic Substances Control. Due to the continued presence of hazardous waste on properties with structural damage as a result of catastrophic flooding, conditions warranting the Local Health Emergency continue to exist. Review and continuation of the Local Health Emergency by the Board of Supervisors is requested.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Continuance of the Local Health Emergency will allow cooperation and mutual aid assistance from regional and state agencies to County of Monterey Health Department for the proper handling and disposal of hazardous waste.

FINANCING:

The financial impact of this declaration is undetermined at this time due to the need for further

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assessment of costs involved with clean up and mitigation of hazardous debris.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

□Economic Development:

 Through collaboration, strengthen economic development to ensure a diversified and healthy economy.

□Administration:

• Promote an organization that practices efficient and effective resource management and is recognized for responsiveness, strong customer orientation, accountability and transparency.

⊠Health & Human Services:

• Improve health and quality of life through County supported policies, programs, and services; promoting access to equitable opportunities for healthy choices and healthy environments in collaboration with communities.

⊠Infrastructure:

• Plan and develop a sustainable, physical infrastructure that improves the quality of life for County residents and supports economic development results.

⊠Public Safety:

 Create a safe environment for people to achieve their potential, leading businesses and communities to thrive and grow by reducing violent crimes as well as crimes in general.

Prepared by: Dr. Edward Moreno, Health Officer, 755-4585

Approved by:

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Elsa Mendoza Jimenez, Director of Health, 755-4526

Attachments:

Board Report

Resolution

Board Order (to Adopt & Ratify Res. No. 23-109)

RES 23-109

Declaration of Local Health Emergency

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

Resolution No. 23-149	
Continuing the Local Health)
Emergency due to the Monterey)
County March 2023 Storms)

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, commencing in early March 2023, severe storms ("March 2023 Storms") impacted Monterey County communities and residents resulting in storm damage and flooding, particularly in areas adjacent to rivers and other waterways in the county; and

WHEREAS, damage and breach of levees in the county caused localized flooding in certain communities, including the community of Pajaro, which resulted in intrusion of water into structures including businesses and homes; and

WHEREAS, the March 2023 Storms have caused damage to open spaces, structures and dwellings, thus compromising containers with hazardous waste, which represents a substantial present or potential threat to human health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, circumstances of potential release of hazardous materials from containers compromised by storm damage and flooding, by reason of the magnitude and frequency of the storms, are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of any single local government and will require the combined forces of a mutual aid region, regions, and state; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2023, the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) proclaimed the existence of a local emergency due to the March 2023 Storms;

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2023, the Board of Supervisors ratified the CAO's proclamation of a local emergency regarding the March 2023 Storms; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Edward Moreno is the Health Officer of the County of Monterey; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code, Dr. Moreno found that conditions of potential exposure to hazardous waste exist, resulting in an immediate threat to the health and safety of the public in the areas impacted by the flooding; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 101085 of the California Health and Safety Code, Monterey County needs other political subdivisions and State agencies to provide mutual aid, including personnel, equipment, and other available resources; and

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WHEREAS, on March 22, 2023, Dr. Moreno, in accordance with the authority vested in him by section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code, Declared a Local Health Emergency for the affected areas of the County of Monterey due to the March 2023 Storms; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the powers and duties of the local health officer vested by sections 101085 of the California Health and Safety Code, Dr. Moreno recognizes that all assisting state agencies, in particular the California Office of Emergency Services and the California Environmental Protection Agency and its departments including the Department of Toxic Substances Control, may provide mutual aid, including personnel equipment, and other available resources, to assist political subdivisions during this local health emergency; and,

WHEREAS, Emergency conditions continued to exist, necessitating ratification of the Local Health Emergency; and,

WHEREAS, the earliest meeting at which ratification of the Local Health Emergency could be scheduled for consideration by the Board of Supervisors was its regular meeting on March 28, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Health Emergency was brought to the Board of Supervisors for ratification on March 28, 2023, and at that meeting, the Board of Supervisors ratified the Local Health Emergency issued by the Health Officer; and

WHEREAS, most but not all properties have completed Phase 1 removal of household hazardous waste by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control; and

WHEREAS, emergency conditions continue to exist, necessitating review and continuation of the Local Health Emergency;

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

- 1. The above recitals are true and correct.
- 2. Conditions that threaten public health and safety as defined in sections 101075 and 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code continue to exist.
- 3. The Board of Supervisors continues the Local Health Emergency.
- 4. Pursuant to section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code, the Board of Supervisors shall review the need for continuing the Local Health Emergency at least every 30 days and shall proclaim the termination of the Local Health Emergency at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant the termination.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 25th day of April 2023, by roll call vote:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Church, Lopez, Askew, and Adams

NOES: None ABSENT: None

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Dated: May 1, 2023 File ID: A 23-126 Agenda Item No. 25 Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Monterey, State of California

Emmanuel H. Santos, Deputy