RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2020-362

MEETING: July 7, 2020

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Dallin Kimble, County Administrative Officer

RE: Adopt a Resolution Terminating Local Emergency Due to Tree Mortality

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Adopt a Resolution Terminating the Local Emergency Due to Unprecedented and Widespread Tree Mortality.

On September 15, 2015, The Mariposa County Board of Supervisors, pursuant to section 8630 of the Government Code and chapter 2.80 of the Mariposa County Code, proclaimed a local emergency due to the rapid increase in tree mortality throughout Mariposa County.

The County has recently completed a $5.5 million tree mortality hazard mitigation project and the rate of new tree mortality has slowed such that continuance of an active local emergency proclamation is no longer necessary. Staff recommends the Board proclaim the end of this local emergency.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board has terminated other local emergencies as the immediate threat to public health and safety has significantly abated.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Do not approve this resolution. This local emergency will not be formally terminated.

ATTACHMENTS:

Terminate Tree Mortality Proclamation (DOCX)
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RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Miles Menetrey, District V Supervisor
SECONDER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
AYES: Rosemarie Smallcombe, Marshall Long, Miles Menetrey
EXCUSED: Merlin Jones, Kevin Cann
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RESOLUTION TERMINATING THE LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO UNPRECEDENTED AND WIDESPREAD TREE MORTALITY

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors found that widespread and rapidly increasing incidence of tree mortality, commencing on or about June 1, 2013, caused conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within Mariposa County; and

WHEREAS, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors declared a local emergency due tree mortality on September 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mariposa deployed available resources in response to this emergency to ensure the health and safety of the public to the greatest degree possible; and

WHEREAS, the County has sought financial assistance from the California Office of Emergency Services and the Governor of the State of California under the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) program, where applicable, to deal with conditions beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of Mariposa County; and

WHEREAS, emergency conditions, and their effects, have now abated sufficiently to cause the situation resulting from said conditions of extreme peril to be deemed to be within the control of the normal protective services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of and within said County of Mariposa; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors, State of California, does hereby terminate the said local emergency and any associated powers and authorities granted to staff and the Board of Supervisors. This Resolution takes effect upon approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, a political subdivision of the State of California, this 23 day of June 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: SMALLCOMBE, LONG, MENETREY
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
EXCUSED: JONES, CANN

MARSHALL LONG, Vice-Chair
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

RENE LaROCHE
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

STEVEN W. DAHLEM
County Counsel