RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2021-275

MEETING: May 18, 2021

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeremy Briese, Sheriff

RE: Resolution Terminating the Existence of a Local Emergency Due to Mono Wind Event

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Adopt a Resolution Terminating the Local Emergency due to Mono Wind Event in January, 2021 in Mariposa County.

On January 15th, 2021, Mariposa County officials were advised of a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) event to impact our County, as well as other adjacent Counties, due to a significant Mono Wind event. PSPS activity initiated in Mariposa County on January 19th, at approximately 12:00 a.m., de-energizing a large residential area of Mariposa County. However, wind speeds were greater than anticipated and created significant damage downing trees and power lines which, in turn, caused structure damage and fires, as well as leaving significant numbers of county residents trapped in areas without electricity.

On January 19, 2021 Sheriff Jeremy Briese, acting as the Director of Emergency Services, pursuant to Mariposa County Code Section 2.80.040, issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency. This Proclamation was Ratified by the Board of Supervisors during a Special Meeting on January 22, 2021.

The emergency conditions, and their affects, have now abated sufficiently to cause the situation of extreme peril to be deemed to be within the control of the normal protective services, personnel, equipment and facilities of and within the County of Mariposa and it is appropriate for the existing resolution for the Mono Wind Event to be terminated.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board has ratified similar proclamations in the past during other emergencies, and also subsequently terminated said proclamations once the emergency conditions are deemed to be under control.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Continue a Local Emergency beyond what conditions warrant.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**
none

**ATTACHMENTS:**
Mono Winds Termination (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Wayne Forsythe, District IV Supervisor
SECONDER: Tom Sweeney, District II Supervisors
AYES: Smallcombe, Sweeney, Long, Forsythe, Menetrey
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RESOLUTION TERMINATING THE LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO THE MONO WIND EVENT

WHEREAS, an extreme wind event beginning on January 19, 2021 resulted in conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property, including significant damage to critical public infrastructure; and private property.

WHEREAS, Sheriff Jeremy Briese, acting as the Director of Emergency Services, proclaimed the existence of a local emergency according to Section 8630 of the California Government Code and Chapter 2.80 of the Mariposa County Code on January 19, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors ratified that proclamation at a special meeting, held January 22, 2021; 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

WHEREAS, ongoing recovery and cleanup efforts include the continued commitment of California Disaster Assistance Act and any other applicable state or federal resources;

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 18th day of May, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES: SMALLCOMBE, SWEENEY, LONG, FORSYTHE, MENETREY
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
EXCUSED: NONE

[Signature]
MARSHALL LONG, Chair
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

[Signature]
RENE LaROCHE
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
STEVEN W. DAHELEN
County Counsel