

PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY
FOR THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, Riverside County Ordinance 533.7 empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence of a Local Emergency when the County Board of Supervisors is not in session, and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services finds:

1) That at the time of this proclamation the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and,
2) That conditions of imminent threat of impending emergency or disaster, posing risk of extreme peril, loss of life, safety of persons and property have arisen within the County of Riverside caused by damaging impacts of the Airport Fire; and,

3) That the Airport Fire has burned 22,376 acres in Orange and Riverside Counties with zero percent containment causing the evacuation of 7,500 homes encompassing a population 24,000 County residents in the Communities of De Luz, El Cáriso Village, Rancho Capistrano, Lakeland Village, La Cresta, Temescal Valley and the City of Lake Elsinore; and,

4) That the County has implemented emergency protective measures to the public by controlling traffic, prohibiting ingress and egress into affected areas due to conditions considered dangerous to lives and property; and,

5) That the extreme danger to lives and property necessitated the establishing of emergency facilities, such as the activation of the County and Operational Area Emergency Operations Center (EOC), activation of the City of Lake Elsinore (EOC), sheltering of individuals including those with access and functional needs, sheltering of family pets and large animals, and activations of School and Special District emergency plans; and,

6) That conditions of extreme danger have impacted critical infrastructure and necessitated the closing of schools in the impacted areas; and,

7) That the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of a Local Emergency; now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a Local Emergency exists throughout the County of Riverside, commencing on or about the 10th day of September 2024; and,

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said Local Emergency, the powers, functions and duties of the Director of Emergency Services shall be those prescribed

1 by state law and the ordinances, resolutions, and approved plan of the County of Riverside to mitigate the
2 effects of said Local Emergency, and

3 IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that said Local Emergency shall be deemed to
4 continue to exist for the next seven (7) days, and hereafter by ratification of the County Board of
5 Supervisors, until its termination is proclaimed by the County Board of Supervisors of the County of
6 Riverside, and

7 IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to
8 the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the existence of a State of Emergency
9 throughout the impacted areas of Riverside County, and that the Riverside County Director of Emergency
10 Services and Board of Supervisors are formally requesting all eligible State and Federal financial assistance
11 eligible under Local, State and Federal proclamations including California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA),
12 Federal Emergency Management (FEMA) Public Assistance and FEMA Individual Assistance programs.

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14 Dated: 9.11.24
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17 Director of Emergency Services
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