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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Bret Prebula for Minh Tran - Interim County Executive Officer  
County Executive Office

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**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Resolution related to a Local Health Emergency for the 2017 Napa Fire Complex

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

County Executive Officer acting as the Director of Emergency Services requests adoption of a resolution ratifying and continuing a Proclamation of a Local Health Emergency related to the 2017 Napa Fire Complex.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

California Health and Safety Code 101080 confers upon the local health officer emergency powers necessary to protect public health and safety. By proclamation and declaration on October 13, 2017, Dr. Karen Relucio, the Napa County Public Health Officer, proclaimed the existence of a local health emergency due to the hazardous waste and materials created by the 2017 Napa Fire Complex. The Board of Supervisors must ratify the proclamation and declaration and, if conditions warrant, continue to proclaim and declare until such time that the emergency conditions no longer exist.

On October 8, 2017, the Napa County Executive Officer proclaimed the existence of a local emergency due to fires at various locations in Napa County (2017 Napa Fire Complex). This action was ratified by the Board of Supervisors on October 10, 2017. Conditions of the 2017 Napa Fire Complex have also created and are continuing to create debris which may be or which may become hazardous waste and a threat to public health. The threat to public health creates the immediate need to facilitate assistance and undertake preventive measures to protect the health of people and the environment. The declaration of local health emergency will enable additional State resources to be deployed to these efforts.

It is requested that the Board adopt the attached resolution ratifying and continuing the local health emergency declared as a result of the 2017 Napa Fire Complex.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	No
What is the revenue source?	Due to the declaration of local emergency, the County may be eligible for funding to mitigate emergency activities.
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory
Is the general fund affected?	Yes
Future fiscal impact:	The emergency declaration is assumed to be a one-time event, but dependent on the amount of time for activities related to the emergency the duration of the event may extend past this fiscal year. If this occurs, staff will budget accordingly next fiscal year.
Consequences if not approved:	If the resolution is not approved, the County may not be able to obtain Federal and/or State funds to provide public and individual assistance possibly made available.

Additional Information:

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

**BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

On October 8, 2017, the Napa County Executive Officer proclaimed the existence of a local emergency due to fires at various locations in Napa County (2017 Napa Fire Complex). This action was ratified by the Board of Supervisors on October 10, 2017. Conditions of the 2017 Napa Fire Complex have also created and are continuing to create debris which may be or which may become hazardous waste and threat to public health. CalOES requested that in addition to the declaration of local emergency that the County also declare a local health emergency in order to trigger state assistance with clean-up of hazardous materials on private property. This assistance to private property owners within Napa County is needed for timely implementation of necessary preventive measures.

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The potential for the upcoming rainy season offers little time to mitigate further environmental contamination, including contamination of the watershed, and, therefore time is of the essence in removing hazardous waste and materials from various property sites.

The Board of Supervisors shall review this emergency proclamation at least once every 14 days to affirm its continuation. Termination of the local emergency shall be proclaimed by the Board at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- A . Resolution
- B . Proclamation

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Ben Guerrieri