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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Britt Ferguson for Nancy Watt - County Executive Officer
Emergency Services
REPORT BY: Patti DeWeese, Staff Services Analyst, 253-4197
SUBJECT: Resolution Extending Proclamation of Local Emergency

RECOMMENDATION

County Executive Officer/Director of Emergency Services requests adoption of a resolution extending the Proclamation of Local Emergency declared by the Assistant County Executive Officer acting as the Director of Emergency Services on December 30, 2005 and confirmed by the Board of Supervisors by Resolution No. 06-02 on January 3, 2006.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In order to continue the Proclamation of Local Emergency proclaimed on December 30, 2005 and confirmed by the Board of Supervisors at a special meeting on January 3, 2006, it is necessary to return to the Board every 14 days (21 days if the Board is not holding a regularly scheduled meeting) to review the need for continuing the local emergency.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

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

The Assistant County Executive Officer executed a Proclamation of Local Emergency on Friday, December 30, 2005 due to winter storms with associated severe flooding in the County of Napa. The Board of Supervisors confirmed and continued the Proclamation of Local Emergency by adopting Resolution No. 06-02 at a special meeting of the Board on January 3, 2006. In order for the Local Emergency to remain in effect, the Board must review the need for continuing the Local Emergency every 14 days (21 days if the a regular meeting is not scheduled). On January 24, February 7 and 28, March 14 and 28, April 11 and 25, 2006 the Board adopted Resolution Nos. 06-15, 06-29, 06-38, 06-49, 06-60, 06-70 and 06-83, respectively, further extending the original Proclamation of Local Emergency to May 9, 2006.

The flood waters have receded throughout Napa County, however following the New Year's Eve flood event, the County continued to experience unstable weather conditions throughout the remainder of winter and into spring. Repairs of damage caused by the New Year's Eve flooding are still taking place. The continued heavy rainfall not only impaired the ability to repair existing flood damage, but caused additional damage, particularly to the County road system and other public and private infrastructure.

As long as the local declaration is active, it reinforces the County's eligibility for disaster assistance. The County of Napa was included in the Gubernatorial Declaration issued January 2, 2006 and the subsequent federal disaster declaration made by the President at the request of the Governor. As a result of the additional damage to public and private infrastructure, on April 18, 2006 your Board adopted Resolution No. 06-79 once again requesting the Governor to proclaim a State of Emergency in Napa County for the additional damage that occurred between January 4 and April 14, 2006 which were ineligible under the initial proclamation.

To date, the County has not received a response to this latest request for a gubernatorial proclamation of a State of Emergency; therefore, staff is now requesting that the local emergency be extended until the County has received a response from the State regarding the County's most recent request, and until emergency repair work has been completed.

Staff will return to the Board on May 23, 2006 to request either a further extension or termination of the local declaration of emergency.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Resolution Extending Local Proclamation

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Karen Gratton