



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 3/5/2019

File #: 19-229

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Sheriff

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Resolution stating that Humboldt County Adopted a Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan in 2014 in Accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and that the Hazard Mitigation Plan was incorporated by Reference into the Humboldt County General Plan Safety Element, as Adopted in 2017

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt the attached Resolution No. _____.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

DISCUSSION:

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) notified Humboldt County that the county must adopt a resolution proving that the county is in full compliance with the requirements of Assembly Bill 2140. AB 2140 is a 2006 state law relating to Local Hazard Mitigation Plans and General Plan Safety Elements. AB 2140 states that in order for the county to receive funds from the California Disaster Assistance Act for eligible projects in excess of 75 percent of total state eligible costs the county must have a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) approved by Cal OES and the LHMP must be incorporated by reference into the Safety Element of the General Plan.

In 2013, the Board of Supervisors adopted the last LHMP update, which was approved by Cal OES and FEMA in 2014. In October 2017, the Board of Supervisors adopted the General Plan Update, which included Safety Element Policy S-P35, Hazard Mitigation Plan, and incorporating by reference the Humboldt Operational Area Hazard Mitigation Plan into the Safety Element. Therefore, Humboldt County is fully compliant with the requirements of AB 2140. However, Cal OES eligibility criteria (developed after the LHMP and General Plan were adopted) specifies that the resolution adopting a General Plan amendment relating to AB 2140 demonstrate compliance with the law.

Staff is recommending that your Board adopt the attached resolution as proof of compliance with the

requirements of AB 2140. This resolution enumerates the actions taken by the county in the past to fully comply with AB 2140. An update to the LHMP was initiated in 2018. When the update to the LHMP is approved in 2019, the General Plan must be amended to incorporate the updated LHMP into the Safety Element and the certified resolution of adoption must be submitted to Cal OES as proof of AB 2140 compliance.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Adopting the resolution allows for continuing eligibility for state and federal disaster mitigation and recovery funding.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by seeking outside funding sources to benefit Humboldt County needs.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES)

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board may elect not to approve the resolution, however this is not recommended as it resulting in the loss of grant funding opportunities.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1 - Proposed Resolution No. _____

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: Resolution 13-92

Meeting of: December 10, 2013

File No.: 16-0715