



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.
D-1

For the meeting of: October 13 2015

Date: September 8, 2015
To: Board of Supervisors
From: Supervisor Estelle Fennell
Subject: "The Great California SHAKE OUT" Proclamation and Presentation.

RECOMMENDATION(S): That the Board of Supervisors authorize the Chair to sign the Proclamation and hear the Presentation.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

DISCUSSION: On October 15, 2015, Californians will be asked to "Drop, Cover, and Hold On" to simulate their planned actions during a significant earthquake event. This will be a statewide drill facilitated through the Earthquake Country Alliance and the California Emergency Management Agency. Locally, the Redwood Coast Tsunami Work Group, the Humboldt Earthquake Education Center and the County Office of Education will be supporting the effort.

In the continuing interest of public safety and related preparedness, the Board of Supervisors is issuing a Proclamation urging all Humboldt County residents and organizations to participate in the Shake Out drill.

Further, Lori Dengler, HSU will be giving a short presentation to the Board on the Great California Shake Out and Humboldt County's readiness in the event of a major earthquake disaster

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS: Proclamation.

Prepared by Kathy Hayes

Signature Estelle Fennell

REVIEW: Auditor _____ County Counsel _____ Personnel _____ Risk Manager _____ Other _____

TYPE OF ITEM:
____ Consent
____ Departmental
____ Public Hearing
XX Other Special Presentation (20 minutes)

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
Upon motion of Supervisor Buss
Seconded by Supervisor Talase
And unanimously carried by those members present.
The Board hereby adopts the recommended action contained in this report.

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. _____

Meeting of: _____

Dated: October 13, 2015
Ana Hartwell, Deputy Clerk of the Board
By: Estelle Fennell

PROCLAMATION

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, Humboldt County, its proximity to the Mendocino triple junction, Cascadia subduction zone, and major fault systems both on and offshore make it vulnerable to earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, in historic times Humboldt County and the adjacent offshore area has been the single most seismically active region of California; and

WHEREAS, since 1900, twenty-five earthquakes have caused damage to structures in Humboldt County with an average recurrence of five years and the most recent damaging earthquake was in 2010; and

WHEREAS, earthquakes can occur at any time with no warning; and

WHEREAS, understanding what to do during strong ground shaking is fundamental to saving lives in an earthquake event; and

WHEREAS, to act quickly during an earthquake emergency is important to practice often; and

WHEREAS, the California Earthquake Country Alliance, the Redwood Coast Tsunami Work Group and the California Office of Emergency Services are hosting the Great California Shake Out, a statewide DROP, COVER and HOLD ON drill at 10:16 a.m. on October 15, 2015.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby urges the participation of all Humboldt County residents, businesses and other organizations in the Great California Shake Out on October 15, 2015.

DATED: October 6, 2015



Estelle Fennell
Estelle Fennell, Chair