

## COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

# Legislation Text

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

From: Sheriff

**Agenda Section:** Consent

#### **SUBJECT:**

Termination of Local Emergency - Feb.23 Storm

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**:

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt Resolution No. to terminate the local emergency that occurred around Feb. 23.

#### SOURCE OF FUNDING:

General Fund

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Beginning on or around Feb. 23, 2019, Humboldt County experienced damage from a strong winter storm event. The storm brought heavy rain and wind, referred to as an atmospheric river, to an already saturated area of the North Coast of California, and the impacts and damages exceed available county resources.

The heavy rain resulted in flooding of the Eel River, Van Duzen, and Mad River and caused extensive damage to public resources. Humboldt County Public Works Department and the California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) performed a validation visit for the initial damage estimate and CalOES has submitted its recommendation for disaster funding to Governor Newsom. Terminating the local emergency proclamation will have no impact on the county's eligibility at this point for recovering funding assistance.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The emergency proclamation ratified by your Board on March 5 allowed the county to request funding from the state and federal governments. Terminating the local emergency at this point will have no impact on the county's eligibility for this funding, and therefore will have no impact on the General Fund.

#### STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by providing for and maintaining

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infrastructure.

## **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

State of California and United States

## **ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The Board of Supervisors may choose not to deny the request to terminate the declaration of a local emergency, however, this is not recommended as the emergency declaration is a temporary proclamation, and should be terminated or extended within 30 days of ratification.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

1 - Resolution Terminating the Existence of a Local Emergency

## PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: C-21 Meeting of: 3/5/19 File No.: 19-327