

RESOLUTION NO. 20- 8514

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF A COUNTY-WIDE LOCAL
EMERGENCY DUE TO SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS OF WILDFIRES SIGNIFICANTLY
IMPACTING COMMUNITIES IN PLUMAS COUNTY

WHEREAS, Section 4-1.05 of the Plumas County Code empowers Director of the Office of Emergency Services to proclaim a local emergency when the county is affected or threatened by an event causing great damage, possible loss of life, or other public calamity and the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2020, the Director of Emergency Services proclaimed a local emergency due to a number of wildfires affecting communities in Plumas County; and

WHEREAS, Plumas County has activated the Emergency Operations Center; and these conditions are, or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of said County of Plumas; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-1.05 of the Plumas County Code requires the Board of Supervisors to ratify the emergency proclamation within seven (7) days or the proclamation will no longer be in force,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Plumas county Board of Supervisors hereby ratifies the declaration of a local emergency due to the significant, ongoing and possible undiscovered impacts due to the wildfires in Plumas County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, except as provided in the Governor's "Proclamation of State of Emergency" dated March 4, 2020, the Plumas County Board of Supervisors shall review the need for continuing the local emergency at least every month and shall terminate the emergency as soon as local conditions warrant.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Plumas, State of California at a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors on August 25, 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS SIMPSON, THRALL, ENGEL, GOSS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Lori Simpson

Chair, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Wendy Paterno
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

**PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL STATE OF
EMERGENCY- CLAREMONT, BEAR, AND
IRON FIRES AND EXTREME FIRE
CONDITIONS
COMMENCING THURSDAY,
AUGUST 20, 2020**

WHEREAS, Plumas County Ordinance 4-1.05 empowers the Director of Emergency Services, Sheriff Todd Johns, to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when Plumas County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Plumas County Board of Supervisors is not in session, and,

WHEREAS, The Director of Emergency Services, Sheriff Todd Johns, of the County of Plumas does hereby find; that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons, business and property public lands and resources including, but not limited to grazing lands, watersheds, timber resources, and public infrastructure have arisen within the County of Plumas, caused by many fires with an abundance of dry fuels within the County, which all started by lightning on Monday, August 17, 2020, as well as the existence of actual and threatened conditions of extreme fire danger within Plumas County; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of California issued a Statewide proclamation of emergency citing as the primary reasons as current and threatened conditions of extreme fire danger as well as the numerous devastating wildfires occurring within the State causing significant impacts to available resources, public budget demands, damage and losses of private and public property, and devastating environmental conditions; and,

WHEREAS, ongoing response, assessments and mutual aid have diverted local resources from day to day operations, and the continued threat of catastrophic wildfires places the County at significant risk, beyond the control of personnel, services, equipment and budget of the County and the state presently; and,

WHEREAS, potential threats of further fire damage and destruction is being closely monitored as the Claremont, Bear and Iron fires continue to threaten the communities of Quincy, Taylorsville, Greenhorn and Spring Garden, within the County of Plumas, most of which are currently under advisory or mandatory evacuation orders.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DECLARED, pursuant to Article 14, Section 8630 of the California Emergency Services Act, and Plumas County Code 4-1.05 that a local state of emergency exists within and throughout Plumas County and the communities of Quincy, Taylorsville, Greenhorn and Spring Garden as of August 20, 2020; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, by means of this declaration, the Director of Emergency Services is authorized to use and employ any of the property, services, personnel and resources of the County to help mitigate this emergency, and State agencies and other public agencies may provide mutual aid, including personnel, equipment and other available resources, to assist Plumas County during this emergency; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of this County shall be those prescribed by state law, by ordinances, and resolutions of the County; and,

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that this emergency proclamation shall expire 7 days after issuance unless confirmed and ratified by the governing body of the County of Plumas.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, that a local emergency now exists throughout the County of Plumas.

Dated: 8/20/2020 By:



Director of Emergency Services
Todd Johns
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