



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
County Manager's Office



Date: February 6, 2017
Special Board Meeting Date: February 7, 2017
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John L. Maltbie, County Manager/Director of Emergency Services

Subject: Proclamation of Local State of Emergency for Crystal Springs Sanitary Sewer District

RECOMMENDATION:

Ratify attached proclamation of local state of emergency.

BACKGROUND:

On January 23, 2017 after three weeks of severe storms, a landslide occurred in the County's Crystal Springs Sanitary Sewer District, located behind the property at 1560 Seneca Lane in unincorporated San Mateo. A sewage pipe was damaged and the land continues to move. State law and local County ordinance empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when said County area is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Board of Supervisors is not in session. The proclamation must occur within ten days of the emergency event.

DISCUSSION:

A local emergency was declared and a proclamation signed by the Director of Emergency Services on Thursday, February 2. This allows the County to access state disaster assistance for cost to repair, restore, reconstruct or replace facilities damaged as a result of the above referenced storm. A special session of the Board has been scheduled to ratify the proclamation within seven days of declaration.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Current cost estimates for repairs are \$3 million. This proclamation will facilitate reimbursement of expenses under the California Disaster Assistance Act, as well as additional state or federal reimbursement, for resources expended in response to this event.