



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



Date: February 24, 2017
Special Board Meeting Date: February 28, 2017
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John L. Maltbie, County Manager

Subject: Proclamation of Local State of Emergency for February 14-24 Storms

RECOMMENDATION:

Ratify the proclamation of local state of emergency for February 14-24, 2017 storms.

BACKGROUND:

On February 14, 2017 your Board adopted a proclamation of local state of emergency for widespread damage caused by severe storms beginning on or around January 3, 2017 and continuing. Damaged sites included, but were not limited to, Scenic Drive and Entrada Way Bridge in La Honda, County Service Area No. 7 in La Honda, multiple sites in Pescadero, Mirada Road near Magellan Avenue, Alpine Road in Los Trancos, Alpine Road in Ladera, Windsor Drive in Devonshire Canyon and multiple County parks.

DISCUSSION:

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.

The Director of Emergency Services declared a local emergency on February 24, 2017 and signed a proclamation of local emergency on that same date, relating to damage resulting from storms occurring on February 14 through 24, including for properties along Butano Creek, Pescadero Creek, Gazos Creek and in El Granada. 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. The Board must ratify the proclamation within seven days of declaration.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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.