



# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 4/23/2024

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File #: 24-731

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** Sheriff

**Agenda Section:** Consent

**SUBJECT:**

Resolution Terminating the Existence of a Local Emergency Due to Flooding in Humboldt County

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the Chair to sign the resolution terminating the January 2024 Winter Storms emergency.

**SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

General Fund (1100)

**DISCUSSION:**

On Jan. 23, 2024, the Board ratified the proclamation declaring the existence of a Local Emergency commencing around Jan. 12, 2024, due to historic flooding of the Mad River, combined with countywide flooding of small creeks and streams caused by an atmospheric river, causing extensive damage to local infrastructure, damaging numerous culverts, causing slip outs, cracking and degradation of county roads, and damaging numerous private residences, businesses and agricultural land.

The county response to this incident can now be managed within the course of regular business, with no further need for emergency protective measures or other extraordinary actions. Humboldt County Code 2210-7 specifies that local emergencies shall be terminated at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

On Feb. 20, 2024, recovery funding through the CDAA for eligible response costs was approved by Cal OES, allowing Humboldt County to submit projects for up to 75% reimbursement from the State of California.

Terminating this local emergency will also save the county in personnel costs related to emergency overtime associated with continued repair work.

**STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:**

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by managing our resources to ensure sustainability of services.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

N/A

**ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The Board of Supervisors may choose not to terminate the January 2024 Winter Storms emergency, however, not doing so will allow for continued emergency overtime costs to be accrued, and would be contrary to the requirements set forth in Humboldt County Code 2210-7.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution Terminating the January 2024 Winter Storms Local Emergency

**PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:**

Board Order No.: N/A

Meeting of: 1/23/24, 2/6/24, 3/5/24,3/26/24

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