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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: November 14, 2017

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Steve Monaghan – IGS-Emergency Management

SUBJECT: Resolution to Terminate a Proclamation of a Local Emergency in Nevada County Due to Extreme Tree Mortality resulting in extreme levels of combustible fuels and the severe threat of wildfires.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Resolution

FUNDING: N/A

BACKGROUND:

The State of California and Nevada County experienced record drought conditions over a period of five years. The drought stressed trees to a point where they became susceptible to bark beetle infestations, causing vast tree mortality throughout many regions in the County and creating a public hazard impacting citizens and both public and private infrastructure. On October 30, 2015, Governor Brown proclaimed a State of Emergency for all of California specifically due to tree mortality, and ordered all state agencies, utilities, and local governments to undertake efforts to remove dead or dying trees in order to restore forest and watershed health.

Steve Monaghan, the Director of Emergency Services, declared a local emergency on September 13, 2016 due to Extreme Tree Mortality resulting in extreme levels of combustible fuels and the severe threat of wildfires. In accordance with the California Emergency Services Act Section 8630(b) the governing body must ratify the declared emergency within 7 days for it to remain in effect which was completed on October 25, 2016. In accordance with Government Code Section 8630(c), the local governing body reviewed and continued the Proclamation of Emergency every thirty days until November 7, 2017.

The situation resulting from said conditions of extreme peril is now deemed to be within the control of the normal protective services, personnel, equipment and facilities within the County of Nevada. Therefore, we are requesting that the Proclamation of a Local Emergency in Nevada County Due to extreme Tree Mortality on September 13, 2016, Resolution 16-468 be terminated.

Item Initiated by: John Gulserian
Approved by: Steve Monaghan