



# RESOLUTION No. 23-169

## OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

### RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE LOCAL EMERGENCY IN NEVADA COUNTY DUE TO THE LATE FEBRUARY 2023 WINTER STORMS

WHEREAS, Government Code section 8630 authorizes the proclamation of a local emergency by an official designated by ordinance adopted by the local governing body; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 8558 states that a local emergency means the duly proclaimed existence of conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property caused by conditions including storms; and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2023, in the early morning continuing through February 28, Nevada County was hit with an intense series of winter snowstorm systems ("Snowstorm") bringing excessive amounts of snow to areas that typically receive little to no snow; and

WHEREAS, the Snowstorm caused over 20,000 Nevada County residents to lose PG&E utility power service with PG&E saying it could take multiple days for restoration; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Snowstorm numerous trees have been reported down across county roads, with many trees having attached utility power lines to them; and

WHEREAS, there have been numerous calls for service from local residents who have had trees land on their homes, are running out of heating gas, do not have electricity, or do not have firewood to heat their homes, resulting in the need for the County to open warming shelters; and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2023, at approximately 12:00 pm, Nevada County commenced emergency services opening its emergency operations center to respond to the community-wide emergency service needs; and

WHEREAS, the conditions created by the Snowstorm are likely to be beyond the control, capacity, and resources of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of Nevada County; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril created by the Snowstorm constitute a local emergency and warranted and necessitated the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds that a declaration of the local emergency will assist in a coordinated public safety response to the Snowstorm emergency in order to protect the lives and property of citizens of the County and constitutes an emergency situation as set forth in California Government Code sections 8558 and 8630.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby proclaims that a local emergency now exists throughout Nevada County due to the Snowstorm, and its ongoing effects and continuing weather conditions in Nevada County, and ratifies the Proclamation issued on February 28, 2023, by the Nevada County Director of Emergency Services. This Proclamation will be extended for an additional 60 days due to ongoing emergency related costs that continue to be incurred by the County of Nevada.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby directs that:

1. The Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency shall be renewed and deemed to continue to exist as provided by State law or until its termination is proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada.
2. The Director of Emergency Services for the County of Nevada, or their designee, is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the County of Nevada for the purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available State and Federal assistance.
3. The Director of Emergency Services, or their designee, is to immediately forward a certified copy of this Resolution ratifying the proclamation of a local emergency to the Governor of California.
4. During the existence of said local emergency the powers functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services, or their designee, and the emergency organization of the County shall be those prescribed by state law, local ordinances, and resolutions of this County as approved by the Board of Supervisors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the 25th day of April, 2023, by the following vote of said Board:

Ayes: Supervisors Heidi Hall, Edward C. Scofield, Lisa Swarthout, Susan Hoek and Hardy Bullock.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

ATTEST:

JULIE PATTERSON HUNTER  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: 

  
Edward C. Scofield, Chair

4/25/2023 cc: OES\*

**PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A  
LOCAL EMERGENCY BY THE DIRECTOR OF  
EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY  
OF NEVADA DUE TO THE LATE FEBRUARY  
2023 SNOWSTORMS**

**WHEREAS**, Government Code section 8630 authorizes the proclamation of a local emergency by an official designated by ordinance adopted by the local governing body; and

**WHEREAS**, Government Code section 8558 states that a local emergency means the duly proclaimed existence of conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property caused by conditions including storms; and

**WHEREAS**, whenever a local emergency is declared by a local official designated by ordinance, said local emergency shall not remain in effect for more than seven (7) days unless it has been ratified by the governing body; and

**WHEREAS**, section A-III 2.6 of the County of Nevada Administrative Code authorizes the Director of Emergency Services of Nevada County to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency whenever the County is affected or likely to be affected by a local emergency and the Nevada County Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 24, 2023, in the early morning continuing through the 28th of February, Nevada County was hit with an intense series of winter snow-storm (Snow-storm) systems bringing excessive amounts of snow to areas that typically receive little to no snow; and

**WHEREAS**, the Snow-storm caused over 20,000 Nevada County residents to lose PG&E utility power service with PG&E saying it could take multiple days for restoration; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the Snow-storm numerous trees have been reported down across county roads, with many trees having attached utility power lines to them; and

**WHEREAS**, there have been numerous calls for service from local residents who have had trees land on their homes, are running out of heating gas, do not have electricity, or do not have firewood to heat their homes, resulting in the need for the County to open warming shelters; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 24, 2023, at approximately 12:00 pm, Nevada County commenced emergency services opening its emergency operations center to respond to the community-wide emergency service needs; and emergency services beyond the immediate capabilities of local resources, services, personnel, equipment, and facilities;

and

**WHEREAS**, the conditions created by the Snow-storm are likely to be beyond the control, capacity, and resources of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of Nevada County; and


**WHEREAS**, the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril created by the Snow-storm constitute a local emergency and warranted and necessitated the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED** by the Director of Emergency Services for the County of Nevada that as of March 1, 2023, a local emergency now exists in Nevada County as a result of the Snow-storms, which constitutes a substantial threat to the health and safety of thousands of residents across the County; and

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Office of Emergency Services of Nevada County shall be those prescribed by State law, and by ordinances, resolutions, and memorandums of understanding of Nevada County; and that this Emergency Proclamation shall expire seven (7) days after issuance unless this Emergency Proclamation is confirmed and ratified by the Nevada County Board of Supervisors; and

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Director of the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services requesting that the Director find it acceptable in accordance with State law; that the Governor of California, pursuant to the Emergency Services Act, issue a proclamation declaring an emergency in Nevada County; that the Governor waive regulations that may hinder response and recovery efforts; that response and recovery assistance be made available under the California Disaster Assistance Act; and that the State expedite access to State and Federal resources and any other appropriate federal disaster relief programs.

Dated: March 1, 2023

By:   
Craig Griesbach  
Director of Emergency Services  
950 Maidu Avenue  
Nevada City, CA 95959



# RESOLUTION No. 23-096

## OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

### RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN NEVADA COUNTY DUE TO THE LATE FEBRUARY 2023 WINTER STORMS

WHEREAS, Government Code section 8630 authorizes the proclamation of a local emergency by an official designated by ordinance adopted by the local governing body; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 8558 states that a local emergency means the duly proclaimed existence of conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property caused by conditions including storms; and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2023, in the early morning continuing through February 28, Nevada County was hit with an intense series of winter snowstorm systems ("Snowstorm") bringing excessive amounts of snow to areas that typically receive little to no snow; and

WHEREAS, the Snowstorm caused over 20,000 Nevada County residents to lose PG&E utility power service with PG&E saying it could take multiple days for restoration; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Snowstorm numerous trees have been reported down across county roads, with many trees having attached utility power lines to them; and

WHEREAS, there have been numerous calls for service from local residents who have had trees land on their homes, are running out of heating gas, do not have electricity, or do not have firewood to heat their homes, resulting in the need for the County to open warming shelters; and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2023, at approximately 12:00 pm, Nevada County commenced emergency services opening its emergency operations center to respond to the community-wide emergency service needs; and

WHEREAS, the conditions created by the Snowstorm are likely to be beyond the control, capacity, and resources of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of Nevada County; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril created by the Snowstorm constitute a local emergency and warranted and necessitated the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds that a declaration of the local emergency will assist in a coordinated public safety response to the Snowstorm emergency in order to protect the lives and property of citizens of the County and constitutes an emergency situation as set forth in California Government Code sections 8558 and 8630.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby proclaims that a local emergency now exists throughout Nevada County due to the Snowstorm, and its ongoing effects and continuing weather conditions in Nevada County, and ratifies the Proclamation issued on February 28, 2023, by the Nevada County Director of Emergency Services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby directs that:

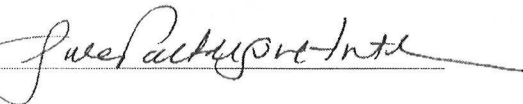
1. The Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency shall be renewed and deemed to continue to exist as provided by State law or until its termination is proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada.
2. The Director of Emergency Services for the County of Nevada, or their designee, is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the County of Nevada for the purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available State and Federal assistance.
3. The Director of Emergency Services, or their designee, is to immediately forward a certified copy of this Resolution ratifying the proclamation of a local emergency to the Governor of California.
4. During the existence of said local emergency the powers functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services, or their designee, and the emergency organization of the County shall be those prescribed by state law, local ordinances, and resolutions of this County as approved by the Board of Supervisors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, by the following vote of said Board:

Ayes: Supervisors Heidi Hall, Edward C. Scofield, Lisa Swarthout,  
Susan Hoek and Hardy Bullock.  
Noes: None.  
Absent: None.  
Abstain: None.

ATTEST:

JULIE PATTERSON HUNTER  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

BY: 

  
Edward C. Scofield, Chair

3/7/2023 cc: OES\*  
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