



# County of Sonoma

## State of California

Date: May 12, 2020

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution Number: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ 4/5 Vote Required

### **Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California, Establishing A Policy For Emergency Planning**

**Whereas,** the County of Sonoma has endured several natural disasters in recent years including flooding in 2017, the Sonoma Complex Fires in 2017, the Winter Storms and Flooding in 2019, the Kincadee Fires in 2019, and the COVID-19 Pandemic in 2020; and

**Whereas,** the County of Sonoma recognizes the importance of emergency planning and preparation in facilitating the ability to respond to local emergencies, including incorporating applicable best practices from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, California Department of Emergency Services and other relevant best practices; and

**Whereas,** the County of Sonoma recognizes a critical component of emergency planning and preparation is ensuring emergency plans account for how to serve the most vulnerable populations within the County of Sonoma, including those with access and functional needs; and

**Whereas,** the County of Sonoma believes the most prudent way to ensure emergency plans account for how to serve the most vulnerable populations within the County of Sonoma, including those with access and functional needs is to consult periodically with a committee of community groups that represent people with a variety of access and functional needs during the development of emergency plans.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved**

The Director of the Department of Emergency Management shall take the following actions in the development of emergency plans:

- Incorporate within the County of Sonoma's emergency plans applicable best practices and guidance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the California Office of Emergency Services, and other relevant authorities; and
- Report publicly to the Board of Supervisors during emergency planning about the steps taken to address persons with access and functional needs; and
- Consult periodically with a committee of community groups that represent people with a variety of access and functional needs, and shall request the representatives of the community groups committee consulted in the development of emergency plans present to the Board of Supervisors their review of the adequacy of the emergency plans.

**Be It Further Resolved**

**Supervisors:**

Rabbitt:

Zane:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Gorin:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

**So Ordered.**