Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors, County of Sonoma
Department or Agency Name(s): Emergency Management
Staff Name and Phone Number: Jeffrey DuVall, CEM / 707-565-1152
Vote Requirement: Majority
Supervisorial District(s): Countywide

Title:
Extension and Continuation of Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.

Recommended Action:
Review and approve the continuation of the proclamation of a local emergency in the Sonoma County Operational area due to the February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.

Executive Summary:
This item requests the Board of Supervisors to review and make findings to continue the proclamation of a local emergency in the Sonoma County Operational Area due to the February 2025 Atmospheric Storm Event.

Discussion:
Beginning on January 31, 2025, heavy rainfall resulting from a category 4 atmospheric river storm brought over 6.50 inches of rain over five days, as recorded at the Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport. Other areas of the county received up to fifteen inches of rain in that same period. On and around February 6, 2025, another inch of additional rainfall was received in the Sonoma County area.

Assessments of storm impacts are ongoing to stabilize damaged areas and continue repairs to county-maintained roads that serve as primary access points for residents and services, as well as critical evacuation routes.

Routes that were damaged by this event were: 1st District - Cavedale Road, Los Alamos Road 4th District - West Soda Rock, Mill Creek, Franz Valley, 5th District - Harrison Grade, Sweetwater Springs, Westside. Work has since been completed on Harrison Grade, Westside Road Cavedale, West Soda Rock, Franz Valley, while efforts continue on Los Alamos Road, Mill Creek Road, and Sweetwater Springs Road by Sonoma County Public Infrastructure.

On February 11, 2025, the Board of Supervisors ratified the local proclamation of an emergency due to the February 2025 Atmospheric River Event. Ratifying the proclamation of local emergency makes state and local mutual aid available to the County/Operational Area, and allows for any State and Federal emergency funding, if available.

On March 25, 2025, May 13, 2025, July 8, 2025, September 9, 2025, November 4, 2025, January 6, 2026,

March 3, 2026, and May 12, 2026, the Board of Supervisors approved extensions of the continuation of the Proclamation of a local emergency due to the February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.

On July 29, 2025, the Governor of the State of California issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency for the February 2025 atmospheric rivers "2025 February Storms" for the Counties of Humboldt, Mendocino, Modoc, Napa, Shasta, Sonoma and Trinity Counties.
Pursuant to Government Code Section 8630, the Board of Supervisors shall review the need for continuing this local emergency at least once every sixty days until the Board of Supervisors terminates the local emergency.

Strategic Plan:
N/A

Racial Equity:

Was this item identified as an opportunity to apply the Racial Equity Toolkit?
No

Prior Board Actions:
05/12/2026: Extension and Continuation of Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.
03/03/2026: Extension and Continuation of Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.
01/06/2026: Extension and Continuation of Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.
11/04/2025: Extension and Continuation of Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.
09/09/2025: Extension and Continuation of Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.
07/08/2025: Extension and Continuation of Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.
05/13/2025: Extension and Continuation of Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.
03/25/2025: Extension Continuation of Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.
02/11/2025: Adopt a Resolution ratifying local emergency proclamation in the Sonoma County Operational area due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event, issued by the County Executive Officer (CEO) in her capacity of Director of Emergency Services.

FISCAL SUMMARY
None.

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:
None.

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):
None.

Attachments:
None.

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:
02/11/2025: Board Resolution ratifying local emergency proclamation in the Sonoma County Operational area due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.