**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** 



## COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

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**DATE:** January 28, 2025

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

#### SUBJECT

#### PRESENTATION ON COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE EFFORTS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

#### **OVERVIEW**

The situation currently unfolding in Los Angeles is a stark reminder of the unpredictability of natural disasters and the importance of proactive and coordinated measures to ensure the safety of our residents and region. In consideration of these events, this item recommends the Board of Supervisors receive a presentation on our region's emergency preparedness efforts. This presentation will serve as a valuable opportunity to highlight our current capabilities and ensure our collective readiness for future challenges.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)** CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Receive a presentation on County of San Diego emergency preparedness and response efforts.

#### EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Individuals with access and functional needs, including individuals with disabilities, older adults, children, individuals with limited English proficiency, and those who are transportation disadvantaged, are often disproportionately impacted by disasters. Today's presentation will provide residents with vital information on key emergency response protocols and procedures County departments have developed to ensure public safety during emergencies and will offer important steps all residents can take to become more disaster prepared.

#### SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's presentation contributes to the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals by engaging the community in meaningful ways to ensure there is capacity to respond and recover to immediate needs of individuals, families, and the region.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with receiving the presentation. There is no change to the net General Fund cost and no additional staff years. If there are any resulting Board actions from today's presentation that have a future financial impact, staff will return to the Board to identify costs and funding for consideration.

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# **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT** N/A

#### **ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT** N/A

#### BACKGROUND

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Today's presentation will detail the critical role County departments play in preparing for and responding to disasters in our region. From identifying potential hazards and devising safeguards to mitigate their impacts to responding to disasters and other local emergencies when they occur, our County teams are at the forefront. Staff will share the critical actions our teams take to protect the public during incidents; how inter- and intra-agency coordination facilitates effective responses to emergencies; how stakeholders are being engaged to enhance community preparedness before disasters strike; and resources needed to enhance local emergency response capacity.

#### LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

Today's proposed action to receive the presentation on County of San Diego emergency preparedness and response efforts supports the Sustainability and Community Strategic Initiatives in the County of San Diego's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan by ensuring the capability to respond and recover from local emergencies and supporting safety for all communities through preparedness and response efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Strong for

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ATTACHMENT(S) N/A