

**PROCLAMATION OF  
EXISTENCE OF A COUNTY-WIDE LOCAL EMERGENCY  
(UNINCORPORATED AND INCORPORATED AREAS  
OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY)  
AND  
REQUEST TO THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF  
CALIFORNIA  
TO PROCLAIM A STATE OF EMERGENCY  
AND TAKE OTHER SPECIFIED ACTIONS**

**RECITALS**

**R1.** The California Emergency Services Act, including but not limited to Government Code section 8630 and the County of San Diego Emergency Services Organization Ordinance (Code of Regulatory Ordinances, sections 31.101 et seq.) empower the Board of Supervisors to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when said County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and

**R2.** The Board of Supervisors does hereby find that on June 27, 2023, continued conditions for detrimental impacts to the environment, economy, and property have arisen within San Diego County, caused by persistent impacts from cross-border sewage pollution and sewage impacted ocean waters; and

**R3.** The Board of Supervisors finds that these emergency conditions constitute an environmental and economic threat and are beyond the control of local resources, services, personnel, equipment, and facilities.

**PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS**

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** by the Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. That a local emergency exists throughout San Diego County pursuant to Government Code section 8630 and as defined by Government Code section 8558 and shall be deemed to continue to exist subject to review by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Government Code section 8630.

2. That during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of this County shall be those prescribed by State law including but not limited to Government Code section 8634, County ordinances and resolutions, and the current Emergency Services Agreement and Operational Area Emergency Plan.

3. That a copy of this Proclamation be forwarded to the Director of the California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (“Director Cal OES”) requesting that Director Cal OES find this Proclamation acceptable in accordance with State law and forward this Proclamation to the Governor of the State of California for consideration and action on San Diego County’s requests that:

3.1 The Governor proclaim a State of Emergency in San Diego County.

3.2 The Governor suspend those statutes, regulations, rules and orders that may hinder response and recovery efforts.

3.3 The Governor order that the State expedite access to Federal resources and any other appropriate federal disaster relief programs for San Diego County and pursue any and all federal and state funding sources.


3.4 The Governor request a Small Business Administration Disaster Declaration.

3.5 The Governor request a Federal Emergency Declaration for San Diego County and that the President award any and all appropriate federal assistance.

4. The Director of the County Office of Emergency Services shall continue to assess the local emergency and, as emergency response and recovery efforts warrant, send to Director Cal OES any additional requests that the Governor suspend further statutes, rules and regulations pursuant to Gov Code sec 8571, and that state and federal assistance be provided to San Diego County.

5. Helen Robbins-Meyer, Interim Chief Administrative Officer, or her representative is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the County of San Diego for the purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available state and federal assistance.

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

By:   
Chairwoman, Nora Vargas,  
District 1 Board of Supervisors

Date/Time:

Approved and/or authorized by the  
Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego  
Meeting Date: 6/27/23 Minute Order No. 16  
By:  Date: 6/28/23  
Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors