

**PLACER COUNTY
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Thomas M. Miller, County Executive Officer
by Rui Cunha, Program Manager

DATE: December 14, 2010

SUBJECT: Adopt by resolution the revised Placer County and Placer Operational Area
Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and authorize the chairman to sign the
letter of promulgation

ACTION REQUESTED

That your Board adopt by resolution the revised Placer County and Placer Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and authorize the chairman to sign the Letter of Promulgation.

BACKGROUND

The preservation of life and property is an inherent responsibility of all levels of government. Since disasters in many devastating forms may strike at any time, Placer County must provide safeguards that will save lives protect the environment and minimize property damage through planning, preparedness and training. Sound emergency plans carried out by knowledgeable and well-trained personnel can and will minimize losses.

Placer County Code, Article 2.88, Section 080 indicates that the Placer County and Placer Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan "...shall provide for organization, powers and duties, services and staff of the emergency organization." It further states that it "...shall take effect [only] upon adoption by resolution of the board of supervisors."

The Placer County and Placer Operational Area EOP establishes an emergency management organization and assigns functions and tasks consistent with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and California's Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS). It provides for the integration and coordination of response and support efforts for incidents and disasters occurring in the unincorporated area and for coordinating efforts of the various political jurisdictions when it acts as the *Operational Area*. This plan, reviewed by local emergency services agencies as well as county staff, provides policies, organization, and responsibilities of all County departments and agencies for planning for, responding to, recovering from and mitigating against natural disasters and manmade emergency incidents.

The EOP supports and is supported by the 2009 State of California Emergency Plan. It will be reviewed and tested periodically and revised as necessary to meet changing conditions.

The Placer County and Placer Operational Area EOP serves the following purposes:

- Establishes standards and procedures for the timely mobilization of resources in the event of a large or complex incident

- Forms the basis for NIMS, SEMS and emergency management training within Placer County.
- Guides the County emergency services program and is consistent with all city EOP's within the Placer Operational Area.

This EOP replaces the existing 2004 edition and includes the following key differences:

- The EOP has been reformatted to include a base plan with functional and threat annexes. Job descriptions for members of the Emergency Management Organization (EMO) and EMO procedures are to be published separately.
- It now incorporates the guidelines of the National Incident Management System and the National Response Framework.
- The EOP now includes specific information on its roles and functions as the *Operational Area* (OA) when incidents/disasters strike across multiple political jurisdictions and a local disaster has been declared.

As alluded above, Placer County Code requires that the Placer County Disaster Council develop the plan. However, as Placer County does not currently have a functioning Disaster Council the Office of Emergency Services is the lead staff agency in developing and coordinating the EOP. This plan has received broad review within the County with input coming from all of the major departments and key Emergency Services providers within the County. All agencies tasked herein with emergency responsibilities have reviewed the plan and are in concurrence with the taskings.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact to the General Fund as a result of adoption of this plan. There are however, training and exercise requirements based on the EOP that will require funding from time to time. But, in recent years, federal Homeland Security Grant Program funds have supported much if not all training and exercise requirements.

Attachments

Resolution

Placer County and Placer Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan (draft) - **on file for public review with Clerk of the Board**

Before the Board of Supervisors County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of: **A RESOLUTION ADOPTING** Resol. No: _____
THE REVISED PLACER COUNTY AND PLACER
OPERATIONAL AREA EMERGENCY OPERATIONS
PLAN AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN
THE LETTER OF PROMULGATION

The following **RESOLUTION** was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held **December 14, 2010** by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Clerk of said Board _____

WHEREAS, The preservation of life and property is an inherent responsibility of all levels of government, and since disasters in many devastating forms may strike at any time, Placer County and the Placer Operational Area must provide safeguards that will save lives and minimize property damage through planning, preparedness and training; and

WHEREAS, Placer County Code, Article 2.88, Section 080, requires that before it is effective for operations, the Board of Supervisors adopt the Placer County Emergency Operations Plan by resolution; and

WHEREAS, The Placer County and Placer Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan establishes an emergency management organization and assigns functions and tasks consistent with California's Standardized Emergency Management System and the National Incident Management System. It provides for the integration and coordination of planning efforts of the County and of all Operational Area jurisdictions when required. It has been reviewed by all affected emergency services agencies as well as by county staff, and provides the policies, organization, and responsibilities of those County departments and agencies in planning for, responding to, recovering from and mitigating against the effects of natural disasters and manmade emergency incidents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer that the 2010 revision of the Placer County and Placer Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan is hereby adopted, and that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is authorized to sign the Letter of Promulgation.