

**PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY
BY THE LAKE COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER FOR THE BOYLES FIRE**

WHEREAS, the California Health and Safety Code, Division 101, Part 3, Chapter 2 commencing with Section 101075 confers upon Local Health Officers of the political subdivisions of this state emergency powers necessary to protect public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, Section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code provides that the Local Health Officer may declare a local emergency in the jurisdiction or any area thereof affected by a threat to the public health; and

WHEREAS, Section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code empowers the Local Health Officer to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local health emergency when the Local Health Officer reasonably determines that the waste is a hazardous waste or medical waste, or that it may become a hazardous waste or medical waste, subject to ratification by the Board of Supervisors within seven days and reaffirmation every fourteen days thereafter until such health emergency is terminated; and

WHEREAS, the Lake County Health Officer does hereby find:

1. That conditions resulting from the Boyles Fire, which began in the City of Clearlake on September 8, 2024 have created debris which may be or which may become hazardous waste and a threat to public health; and
2. That the City of Clearlake declared a local emergency for the Boyles Fire September 8th 2024; and
3. That assistance to private property owners in the City of Clearlake is needed for timely implementation of necessary preventive measures to protect public health and the environment; and
4. That in those developed areas in the City of Clearlake which have been destroyed or severely damaged by the Boyles Fire, immediate action may be required to remove hazardous wastes that are toxic, flammable, corrosive, or reactive from those properties because of the imminent and substantial threat such wastes pose to public health and safety.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a local health emergency exists in Lake County due to the debris created by the Boyles Fire which is or may become hazardous waste.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the Local Health Officer shall be those prescribed by state law, including the provisions of Section 101085 of the California Health and Safety Code,

and by any ordinances and resolutions of the County approved by the Board of Supervisors.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that immediate action may be taken to remove hazardous wastes that are toxic, flammable, corrosive or reactive from developed property sites that have been destroyed or severely damaged by the Boyles Fire because of the imminent and substantial threat such wastes pose to public health and safety.

Signed:


Noemi Doohan [Sep 9, 2024 1:09 PDT]

09/09/2024

Noemi Doohan, MD, PhD, MPH, Lake County Health Officer

Ratified _____ by the Lake County Board of Supervisors.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

COUNTY OF LAKE

Chair, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Susan Parker, Clerk of
the Board of Supervisors

By: __

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Lloyd Guintivano, County Counsel
