

	County of (Insert Here) (Health/ Fire) Agency (Address) (Phone #) (Email Address)	
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JOINT PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY

BY THE COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER AND THE COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER

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

WHEREAS, section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code, states that “the local health officer OR director may declare a local health emergency in the jurisdiction of any area thereof” affected by hazardous waste which is an imminent threat to the public health;

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Section 101080 empowers the local health officer or director to proclaim the existence of a local health emergency when this county or any area of the county is affected or likely to be affected by such a public health threat while the Board of Supervisors Is not in session, which shall expire if not ratified by the Board of Supervisors within seven days and is subject to reaffirmation every 14 days thereafter until such local health emergency is terminated (or as modified by Governor’s Office emergency declaration); and,

WHEREAS, the E(Agency/Department) Public Health Officer of the County of _____ do hereby find:

1. That conditions of certain hazardous waste in _____ County in the form of debris resulting from a fire/earthquake/flood/tsunami/other occurring on _____ and which involved destruction of a number of structures, poses a substantial present or potential hazard to human health and the environment by chemical agent(s) or toxins unless immediately addressed and managed; and
2. That the Board of Supervisors of the County of _____ is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and

3. That the aforesaid threat to public health necessitates the proclamation of the existence of a local health emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that local health emergency is now threatened to exist in the impacted area in this County due to hazardous waste in the form of debris from a recent emergency and due to potential contamination of residential food and water supply; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED THAT that State and local agencies are in the process of finalizing a program to remove both hazardous and non-hazardous debris from residences and businesses impacted by the emergency; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Health Officer (Agency/Department) shall be those prescribed by State law, including the provisions of Sections 101040 and 101085 of the Health and Safety Code, and by ordinances and resolutions of this county approved by the Board of Supervisors.

This order may be signed in counterparts.

Environmental Health Director
(Insert here) County

Date

Health Officer
(Insert Here) County

Date