



RESOLUTION NO.

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code section 101080 authorizes a local health officer to declare a local health emergency in the health officer’s jurisdiction, or any part thereof, whenever the health officer reasonably determines that there is an imminent and proximate threat to the health and safety of the community due to, among other things, introduction of any chemical agent, toxin, or radioactive agent; and

WHEREAS, on August 8, 2024, the County of El Dorado (County) Health Officer declared a local health emergency based on an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the ongoing massive wildfire located in El Dorado County (commonly referred to as the "Crozier Fire") due to the hazardous nature of the wildfire debris, smoke, and ash from the burning of vehicles, infrastructure, structures, and various contents thereof; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors hereby finds that there continues to exist an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the Crozier Fire for each and all of the reasons set forth in the declaration of local health emergency by the County’s Health Officer, dated August 8, 2024, attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the County of El Dorado does hereby ratify the local health emergency declared by the County’s Health Officer on August 8, 2024. The declaration of local health emergency shall continue in effect for 30 days, or until extended or terminated by the Board of Supervisors at a noticed meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that during the existence of this local health emergency that the powers, functions, and duties of the Health Officer shall be those prescribed by California law, including the provisions of California Health and Safety Code Sections 101040 and 101085 and by all ordinances, resolutions, and approved plans of the County of El Dorado that govern the management and mitigation of local health Clerk of emergencies.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 13th day of August, 2024, by the following vote of said Board:

Attest:
Kim Dawson
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Ayes:
Noes:
Absent:

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

_____ Chair, Board of Supervisors

PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY BY THE HEALTH OFFICER FOR THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO DUE TO THE CROZIER FIRE

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code section 101080 authorizes a local health officer to declare a local health emergency in the health officer's jurisdiction, or any part thereof, whenever the health officer reasonably determines that there is an imminent and proximate threat to the health and safety of the community due to, among other things, as defined by GC § 8558(c) including such health-related conditions as air pollution, epidemic, and plant or animal infestation or disease. A "local emergency" may also be proclaimed upon the existence of "other conditions" that are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of the political subdivision.; and

WHEREAS, due to the hazardous nature of the wildfire debris, smoke, and ash from the burning of vehicles, infrastructure, structures, and various contents of the Crozier Fire beginning on August 07, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Health Officer hereby finds that there exists an imminent and proximate threat to the health of the residents of the County of El Dorado due to the hazardous nature of the wildfire debris, smoke, and ash from the burning of vehicles, infrastructure, structures, and various contents thereof; and;

WHEREAS, thousands of El Dorado County residents are currently threatened by the rapid growth of the Crozier Fire, resulting in substantial risk to the health and safety of these residents thereby necessitating mass mandatory and voluntary evacuations for those individuals living in and around the fire zone; and

WHEREAS, the response to the Crozier Fire is beyond the capabilities of the local resources; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a local public health emergency now exists throughout El Dorado County due to the Crozier Fire, and;

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of El Dorado County shall be those prescribed by state law, and by ordinances, resolutions, and other actions of this County, and by the current Emergency Operations Plan; and that this local public health emergency proclamation shall expire 7 days after issuance unless confirmed and ratified by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado.

Matthew Minson, MD
Health Officer
County of El Dorado

Dated:

8-8-2024


Matthew Minson, MD
Health Officer