

**PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY BY THE DIRECTOR OF  
EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO DUE TO THE DECEMBER 2021  
STORMS**

**WHEREAS**, California Government Code §8550 et seq., the California Emergency Services Act, confers upon the governing bodies of the political subdivisions of this state emergency powers necessary to protect health and safety and preserve lives and property; and

**WHEREAS**, California Government Code §8630 states that “a local emergency may be proclaimed only by the governing body of a county, a city and county, or city or by an official so designated by ordinance adopted by such governing body”; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to El Dorado County Code of Ordinances Chapter 2.21, the Sheriff is the Director of the Office of Emergency Services, and is authorized to proclaim a local emergency when said County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the County Board of Supervisors is not in session, subject to ratification within seven days and reaffirmation every 60 days thereafter until such local emergency has concluded; and

**WHEREAS**, thousands of El Dorado County residents are currently threatened by severe storms starting on the 26<sup>th</sup> of December, 2021, throughout Northern California bringing extremely heavy snow, high winds, substantial precipitation, high and fast flowing streams, rivers and creeks, causing damage (hereinafter, the “December 2021 Storms”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Office of Emergency Services of the County of El Dorado does hereby find that: (1) conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within said county, caused by the December 2021 Storms which began on the 26th day of December, 2021; (2) that these conditions are likely to be beyond the control of services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of said County; and (3) that the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and

**WHEREAS**, the December 2021 Storms pose an immediate threat to numerous citizens, road, facilities, structures, including roadways, and water infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the response to the December 2021 Storms is beyond the capabilities of the local resources.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that a local emergency now exists throughout El Dorado County due to the December 2021 Storms, 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 emergency proclamation shall expire 7 days after issuance unless confirmed and ratified by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado.

Dated: 12/29/2021

  
John D'Agostini (Dec 29, 2021 15:39 PST)

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Sheriff John D'Agostini  
Director of the Office of Emergency Services