

**COUNTY OF LASSEN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Lassen County Code Section 11.14.060 empowers the Lassen County Emergency Services Chief to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Lassen County Emergency Services Chief does hereby find:

That conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within Lassen County as of July 27, 2018, when the Whaleback Fire began burning private and public lands; and

The Whaleback fire has continues to burn threatening homes, structures, public facilities and infrastructure; has destroyed power distribution infrastructure resulting in long term outages, necessitating mandatory evacuations of the Eagle Lake basin including the community of Spalding, the closure of roadways, and continues to threaten other communities and infrastructure; and

That these conditions are, or are likely to be, beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of Lassen County; and


That the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lassen is not in session, and cannot be immediately called into session; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a local emergency now exists throughout the County of Lassen; 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 the County of Lassen shall be those prescribed by state law, local ordinance, and resolutions of the County of Lassen; that this emergency proclamation shall, by operation of law, expire in seven (7) days after issuance unless confirmed and ratified by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lassen; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that this Proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of the State of California with a request that he also proclaim the County of Lassen to be in a State of Emergency and that he make available California Disaster Assistance Act disaster assistance and relief programs to Lassen County; and further that the Governor request a Presidential Declaration.

Dated: July 31, 2018

By: 
Eric Ewing
Lassen County Emergency Services Chief