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APPENDIX A: LIST OF PRESS RELEASES

Date	Time	Message
102107	1200	County EOC activated in response to the Harris Fire.
102107	1340	Witch Creek Fire Update.
102107	1330	Harris Fire Evacuation Update.
102107	1415	Highway 78 (Witch Creek) Fire Update.
102107	1255	Harris Fire Evacuation Update.
102107	1450	Directory of Emergency Services for San Diego County proclaims a local emergency.
102107	1310	San Diego Humane Society opposite of the Jamul Fire Station has been set up to receive large animals.
102107	1500	Reverse 911 messages to 5,461 homes in the area of San Diego County Estates.
102107	1340	Harris Fire Update, mandatory evacuations for Barrett Junction and Dulzura.
102107	1545	SDG&E reports that 379 homes are without power in the Santa Ysabel area.
102107	1355	Harris Fire Update.
102107	2020	Residents in the Ramona area south of 78, west of Pine, south to Monticeto, and the San Diego Country Estates are urged to evacuate immediately.
102107	1740	The Sheriff has issued a mandatory evacuation for Barrett Junction, and 698 homes have been advised to evacuate using the Reverse 911 system.
102107	2105	Mandatory evacuation for all residents of Ramona. The Sheriff is notifying more than 10,000 households using the Reverse 911 system.
102107	2230	The Sheriff is issuing a mandatory evacuation along Highway 94 for residents of the following communities: Barrett Junction, Engineer Spring, Dulzura, and all areas in between.
102107	2200	Mandatory evacuation of Wildcat Canyon Road from San Vincente Road to Willow Road.
102107	2345	A fire perimeter map is attached. School locations near the fire are identified.
102107	2315	Four North County Transit busses are en route to Ramona to assist evacuees in need of transportation assistance. The Sheriff is coordinating the effort.
102207	1045	Interstate 15 not reopening. It was reported earlier that Interstate 15 would re-open, but Caltrans is now requesting that Interstate 15 be closed again due to fire threats to wooden structures along the freeway.
102207	1215	Mandatory evacuations have been ordered in Poway from Rattlesnake Creek to the south, Midland Road to the west, the San Diego Aqueduct to the east, and Lake Poway Road to the north.
102207	1245	Mandatory Fallbrook evacuation. Mandatory Valley Center evacuation.
102207	1310	San Diego County Board of Supervisors' regular meeting will be canceled tomorrow.
102207	1400	The Emergency Alert System (EAS) has been activated. Mandatory partial evacuation of Fallbrook. Voluntary evacuation of Chula Vista.



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102207	1430	A new evacuation center in Orange County is opened for people leaving Fallbrook. Evacuation centers have been set up for military and Department of Defense personnel on Naval Base San Diego and Coronado. City of Chula Vista residents complying with voluntary evacuation order are advised to take shelter at Chula Vista High School.
102207	1410	Mandatory evacuations have been ordered for Scripps Ranch south of Scripps Parkway, north of MCAS Miramar, west of Highway 67 and east of Interstate 15.
102207	1530	Mandatory partial evacuations of Escondido. Power outages have been restored as of 1500.
102207	1645	Del Mar Fairgrounds is unable to receive additional clients with special needs because it is at full capacity.
102207	0800	Power outage food safety tips message sent.
102207	1730	County library system will be closed tomorrow. All other county offices will be open.
102207	1815	Advisory evacuations have been ordered for the following neighborhoods of Del Mar: East Side of Crest Road, Oribia Road, San Dieguito Road, Avenida Primavera, and Serpentine Drive.
102307	0245	Witch Creek Fire, Harris Fire, and Rice Fire updates.
102307	0452	New fire burning at the La Jolla Indian Reservation. Several school closures.
102307	0800	Linda Vista Health Care Center, Mid-City Community Clinic Adults, Mid-City Community Clinic Pediatrics have opened their doors this morning to walk-in patients.
102307	0908	Del Mar evacuations, voluntary evacuations at Solana Beach.
102307	0910	Fiesta Island has room for horses accompanied by their owners.
102307	0800	Smoke air quality warning.
102307	0920	South Bay evacuees can take shelter in the Casa Familiar Civic and Recreational Center.
102307	0945	Medical volunteers are requested to register through Volunteer San Diego.
102307	1020	Mandatory evacuation of Fairbanks Ranch.
102307	1045	A limited deployment of Damage Assessment Teams began this morning.
102307	1050	SDG&E reports that the power grid is operating near maximum capacity and is urging customers to conserve energy if at all possible.
102307	1130	Power outage food safety tips message re-sent.
102307	1135	Evacuation of Palomar Mountain and Valley Center. Escondido evacuation site update.
102307	1200	Poway partial repopulation.
102307	1240	Evacuation of Harmony Grove.
102307	1308	San Diego Superior Court closed to public.
102307	1315	A mandatory evacuation notice has been issued for people in the La Jolla Reservation area.
102307	1355	A mandatory evacuation has been issued for Rancho San Diego and Pine Hills Road and Wynola Road in Julian.



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102307	1415	A mandatory evacuation has been issued from Ramona to Lakeside and North of Jamul. Rohr Park in Chula Vista is available for horse evacuations.
102307	1530	San Diego County Animal Services has opened a shelter for large animals near Gillespie Field.
102307	1615	All Chula Vista evacuation notices lifted. All Solana beach evacuation notices lifted.
102307	1655	Correction: Wildfire Fatalities Update.
102307	1705	Correction: Evacuation of some areas of Rancho San Diego.
102307	1705	San Diego County District Attorney Bonnie M. Dumanis warned today that would-be looters looking to profit in the wake of San Diego County's devastating wildfires will be vigorously prosecuted.
102307	1710	County offices update. County parks update.
102307	1755	Evacuation alert issued for Julian. Evacuation order lifted for city of Carlsbad.
102307	1815	Granite Hills High School is not a shelter location. The Tijuana Valley Equestrian Association is helping to place horses in private ranches in the Tijuana River Valley area. Del Mar branch of County library will be open tomorrow.
102307	1845	Mandatory evacuation for Eagle Peak and Cuyamaca.
102307	1925	San Diego County Board of Supervisors' regularly scheduled meeting will take place tomorrow.
102307	2030	Fire health awareness update.
102307	2040	Evacuation lifted for portion of Encinitas.
102307	2050	Boil-water order issued for remaining Ramona residents.
102307	2120	El Capitan fire out.
102307	2213	Julian evacuations.
102407	2400	Fallbrook evacuations. Shelter update in Oceanside.
102407	0048	I-5 Freeway closure between Las Pulgas Road and Basilone Road.
102407	0147	Expanded I-5 closure. Freeway closed in both directions between Highway 76 and Cristianitos Road.
102407	0345	De Luz evacuations. Camp Pendleton Fire Update.
102407	0515	Birch Hill evacuations.
102407	0815	Wildfire fatalities update. Six fire-related deaths.
102407	0835	County opens Rancho San Diego Local Assistance center.
102407	0915	Evacuation notices lifted for Carlsbad, Chula Vista, Del Mar, Encinitas, Solana Beach, San Diego.
102407	0915	San Diego County Health and Human Services facility closures.
102407	0955	President Bush declares a Federal disaster in San Diego County. Federal aid is available to supplement local recovery efforts.
102407	1048	Escondido re-entry hotline. San Diego Culinary Institute in La Mesa has resumed normal operations.
102407	1130	REMINDER: Boil-water order for Ramona residents.
102407	1135	City of Poway partially reopened.



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102407	1225	Local Assistance Centers – Not Open Yet.
102407	1350	Livestock camp in El Cajon needs buckets and sleep supplies. El Cajon Animal Shelter accepting gifts.
102407	1440	Evacuation notices lifted for two Escondido areas.
102407	1440	San Diego County District Attorney Bonnie M. Dumanis issues a warning to consumers in the wake of the wildfires.
102407	1640	Medical updates regarding the fires.
102407	1700	Local Assistance Centers. Fallbrook Community Center, Ramona Community School, Cuyamaca College, Ranch Bernardo Glassman Recreation Center.
102407	1700	Evacuation alert for residents along Highway 94.
102407	1715	County offices update. County parks update.
102407	1810	Community of Hidden Meadows evacuation notice lifted.
102407	1840	The Air Pollution Control District issues a Precautionary Smoke Advisory for the San Diego Air Basin, which encompasses San Diego County.
102407	1855	Boil-water order for Callexico Lodge.
102407	2239	Additional American Red Cross Shelters.
102507	0036	County of San Diego Recovery Assistance.
102507	0630	News Briefing at 0700.
102507	0750	Evacuation notice lifted for Olive Hill area of Fallbrook.
102507	0805	2007 Wildfire fatalities update. Ten fire-related deaths.
102507	1000	Evacuation notice lifted for Escondido. Evacuation notice lifted for County's portion of 4S Ranch.
102507	1110	Potrero residents will be allowed to re-enter today at 1200. Highway 94 will remain closed west of Potrero. The Tecate Border Crossing will reopen to passenger traffic today at 1200.
102507	1115	Updated damage assessment information about the unincorporated areas of San Diego County is now available.
110507	1600	Boil-water orders lifted for Potrero Elementary School and Set Free Ministries.
110707	1440	Boil-water lifted for west Cuca Mutual Water Company.
110707	1505	Boil-water order lifted for Yoga Center Mother's Kitchen.
110807	0915	Boil-water order lifted for Tecate Vista Mutual Water Company.
110907	1225	Boil-water order lifted for Santa Ysabel Trailer Park.
102507	1130	Helping your workforce cope with disaster-related anxiety message.
102507	2400	County HHSA Mental Health Services' Dr. Jeff Rowe, M.D. Available for interviews.
102507	1610	Evacuation order lifted for Pasqual communities.
102507	1625	Residents on Otay Lakes Road to Thousand Trails may return to their homes. Residents in the community of Teacte may return to their homes; the Tecate Border crossing remains closed.
102507	1640	Boil-water order issued for East County Drive.



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1025007	1710	Mandatory evacuation of Lake Henshaw, Mesa Grade, and La Jolla Indian Reservation.
102507	1735	2007 Wildfire Fatalities Update (14).
102507	1800	Dulzura Café, Skyline Ranch Campground, Potrero General Store, Set Free Ministries have been issued boil-water orders.
102507	1815	The County of San Diego Department of Environmental Health issues recommendations for the maintenance of swimming pools impacted by smoke and ash and/or fire damage.
102507	1900	Fallbrook evacuation order partially lifted.
102507	2226	Ramona unsafe water alert.
102507	2314	New shelters at Harrah's Rincon Reservation as well as El Cajon Valley High School.
102607	0229	Boil-water order at Jamul Campground.
102607	0402	Bottled water available for Ramona residents.
102607	0645	No 0700 news briefing today on the San Diego County fires.
102607	0800	Evacuation order lifted for Western Jamul. Evacuation order lifted for areas of Valley Center.
102607	0800	Evacuation order lifted for Highway 67 Corridor. Evacuation order lifted for areas of Wildcat Canyon.
102607	0900	Updated damage assessment information about the unincorporated areas of San Diego County is now available.
102607	1150	The American Red Cross will start serving food to Ramona residents at the Ramona Senior Center at 434 Aqua Lane at 1200 today.
102607	1200	Update on Fallbrook re-entry.
102507	1315	Boil-water order issued for Del Dios Mutual Water Company.
102607	1340	Boil-water order issued for Barrett Valley.
102607	1345	Water available for Ramona Livestock.
102507	1430	Correction: Cause of Witch Creek Fire. The cause of the Witch Creek Fire remains under investigation. Materials at the recent news conference indicated the fire was human caused. That was an error.
102607	1430	Update on Dehasa-Harbison re-entry.
102607	1445	Evacuation order lifted for De Luz Oak Crest Estates Mobile Home Park.
102607	1500	Boil-water order issued for Pauma Valley.
102607	1515	Evacuation notice lifted for Spring Valley and Jamacha. Evacuation notices partially lifted for Bonita and Sunnyside. Evacuation notice partially lifted for San Vicente. Carveacre still closed.
102607	1530	Campuses in the San Diego Unified School District are scheduled to re-open to students on Tuesday, October 30, 2007, with the exception of Palomar Outdoor School.
102607	1608	Further partial lift of Fallbrook evacuation order.
102607	1745	Safety measures to protect your pets after the fires.



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102607	1810	Julian evacuation orders lifted. Wynola, Cuyamaca, and Pine Hills evacuation orders lifted.
102607	1815	Evacuation notices lifted for Pala, Rancho Heights, Pauma Valley / Highway 76 corridor, south of Lake Wohlford. Evacuation notices have been lifted for the Pala area; Rancho Heights area; Pauma Valley/Highway 76 corridor west of Valley Center Road at I -15; and the areas south of Lake Wohlford including the Bear Valley and the Guejito Ranch. These areas are open to residents and local businesses only.
102607	1815	Del Dios Highway partially opened.
102607	1830	Boil-water order issued for Sunrise Estates Mutual Water Company Water System.
102607	1820	Rainbow area now open.
102607	1917	Water connections restored for some essential services in Ramona. The County Department of Public Health has told residents not to drink the water until further notice.
102607	1915	Several new boil-water orders issued for Tecate, Dulzura, and Potrero.
102607	1930	List of boil-water orders for the 2007 wildfires.
102707	0100	Del Dios evacuation orders lifted.
102707	0825	Evacuation order lifted for Japatul.
102707	0850	Precautions for cleaning ash.
102707	0930	Evacuation order lifted for Deerhorn Valley.
102707	0935	Evacuation orders lifted for: Dulzura, Indian Springs and Proctor Valley, Engineer Springs, and Barrett Junction.
102707	0945	Clarification: Lawson Valley and Carveacre still under evacuation.
102707	1145	Peutz Valley Road opened. El Monte Valley Road opened.
102707	1210	Evacuation update. 640,000 residents total were placed under evacuation orders. 19,000 residents currently remain under evacuation orders.
102707	1310	Fallbrook now open – Reche Road and Live Oak Park Road still closed.
102707	1310	Fallbrook residents invited to Community Presentation at Fallbrook High School.
102707	1315	Mesa Grande is now open.
102707	1350	Boil-water order issued for Santa Ysabel Trailer Park. Boil-water order issued for Spencer Valley School. Boil-water issued for Western Horizons / Ramona Canyon RV Resort.
102707	1540	All evacuation orders are lifted for the Harris Fire.
102707	1600	Additional communities near the Witch Creek Fire are now open.
102707	1615	Boil-water order issued for Hodges Reservoir Recreational Areas.
102707	1615	Ramona residents are warned not to have contact with municipal water.
102707	1735	The American Red Cross reports the following shelter closings in the County of San Diego: El Cajon Valley High School, Escondido High School, The Rock Church, Santana High School, El Camino High School.
102707	1755	Free Internet to Julian residents at the County of San Diego Julian Branch Library.



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102707	1825	According to CAL FIRE, the Poomacha Fire is the only blaze in San Diego County with active flames along the perimeter.
102707	1820	Boil-water and public notification for Rancho Santa Teresa Mutual Water Company.
102707	1845	Boil-water order for Young Life Oakbridge Camp.
102707	1944	Tecate port of entry to re-open on Monday to passenger vehicles and pedestrians.
102807	1145	Boil-water order for Rancho Corrido RV Resort.
102807	1245	State Department of Health said "Do Not Drink Water" order is still in effect in Ramona.
102807	1445	Boil-water orders for Pauma Valley Area Water Systems.
102807	1600	Boil-water orders for small water systems in Palomar Mountain and Pauma Valley.
102807	2038	Evacuation update. Local assistance centers update. Damage assessment update.
102807	2144	New shelter open in Ramona.
102907	0955	Emergency Notification: Register your cell phone and e-mail address. www.alertsandiego.org .
102907	1130	Residents are advised that firefighters are planning to conduct a firing operation on the northeast corner of Poomacha Fire today near Cutca Valley.
102907	1210	County residents turning to LACs.
102907	1230	East Mesa Juvenile Detention Facility open house postponed until December 1, 2007.
102907	1340	Note to editors: Clarification of services offered at LACs vs. Red Cross sites.
102907	1345	Boil-water order for Rainbow Metropolitan Water District lifted.
102907	1430	San Diego County residents have filed 5,682 applications for federal assistance with FEMA as of 1600 on Sunday, October 28, 2007.
102907	1355	Flue shots offered at county's LACs.
102907	1730	"Do Not Drink Water" order remains in effect for Ramona.
103007	0930	Testing shows Ramona water safe to use.
102707	1055	211 provides valuable fire information to thousands of residents. Answered nearly 109,000 calls.
103007	1125	County issues first building permit after 2007 fires.
102707	1431	Tecate port of entry re-opens to cargo truck traffic tomorrow.
103107	0900	All evacuation orders lifted – All residents may return home.
103107	0935	Thousands register for emergency cell phone notification using AlertSanDiego.
103107	1000	Correction: Emergency cell phone registration only at www.alertsandiego.org .
103107	1155	Fallbrook Hospital now open.
11107	1125	Correction: Two American Red Cross Shelters remain open in county. St. Peters Church and Valley Center High School.
11107	1400	Additional boil-water orders lifted.
11107	1544	Correction: LACs help more than 14,000 fire victims since opening.



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APPENDIX B: MAPS

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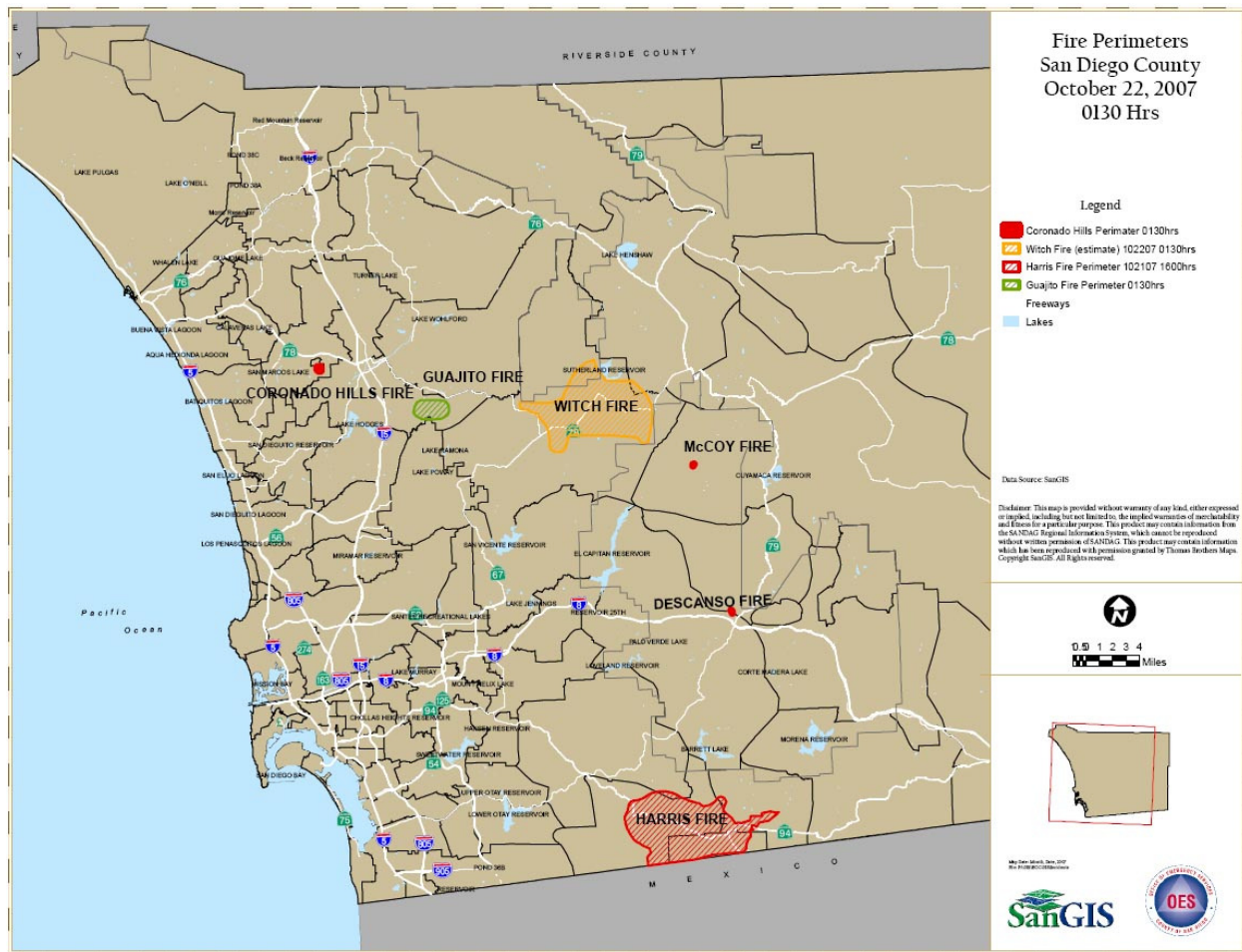


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ALL FIRES PERIMETERS / EVACUATION AREAS

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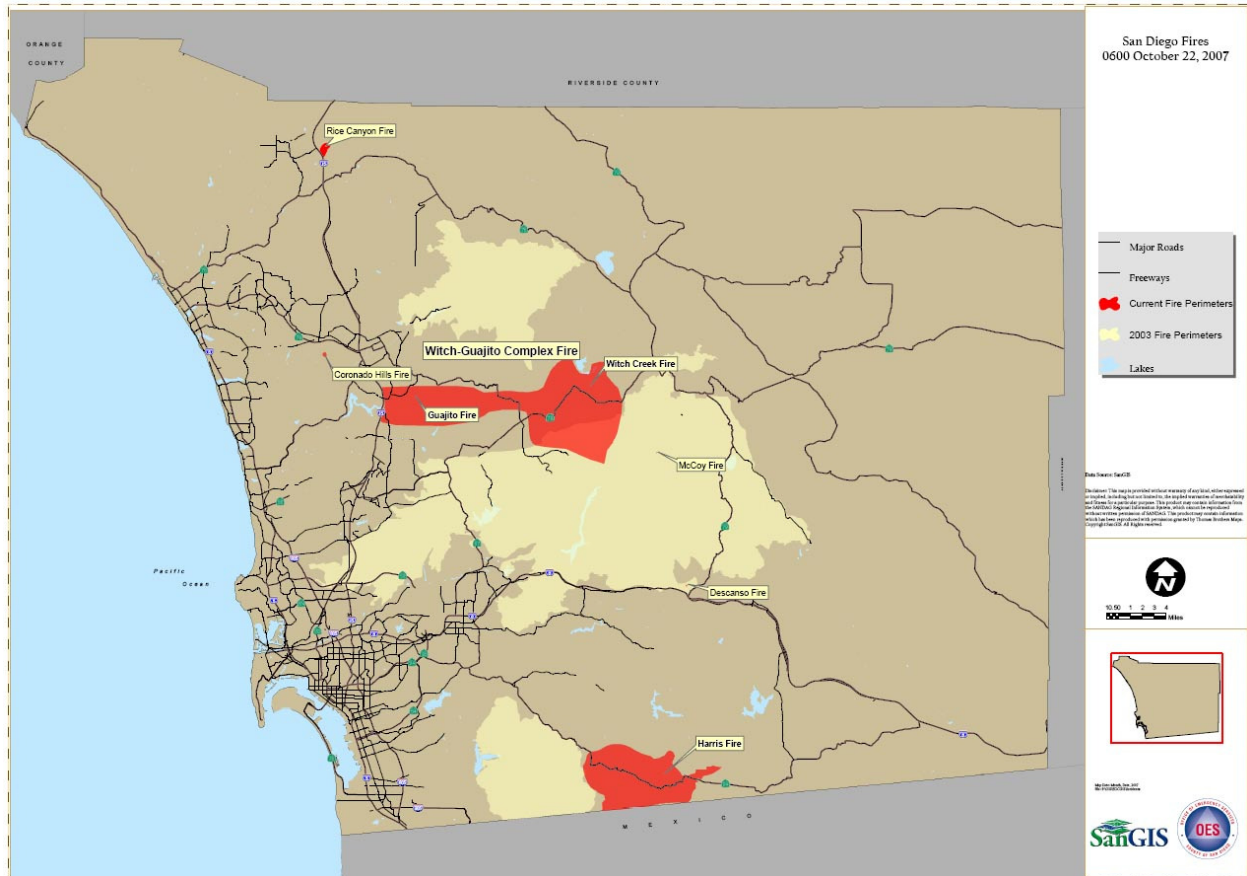




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October 22, 2007: 0600 PST



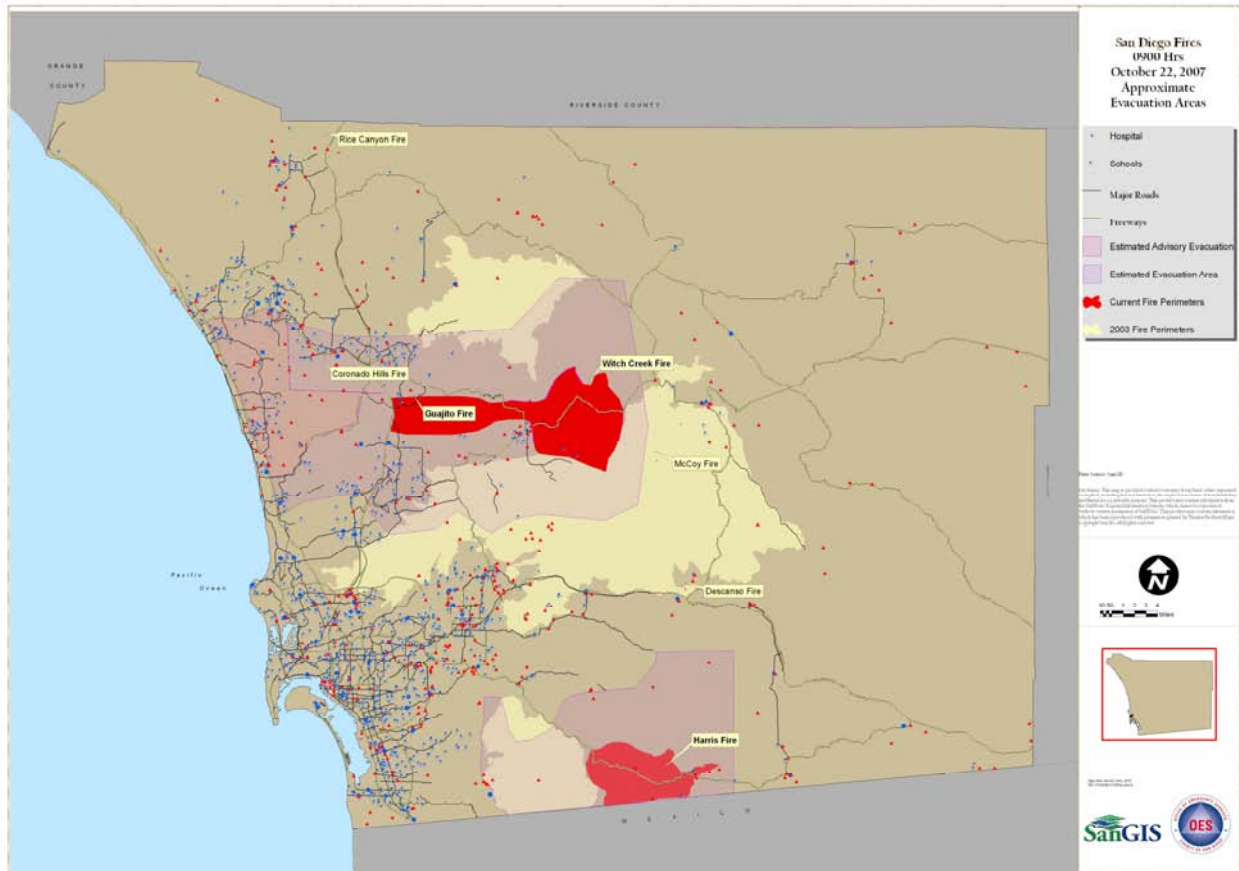


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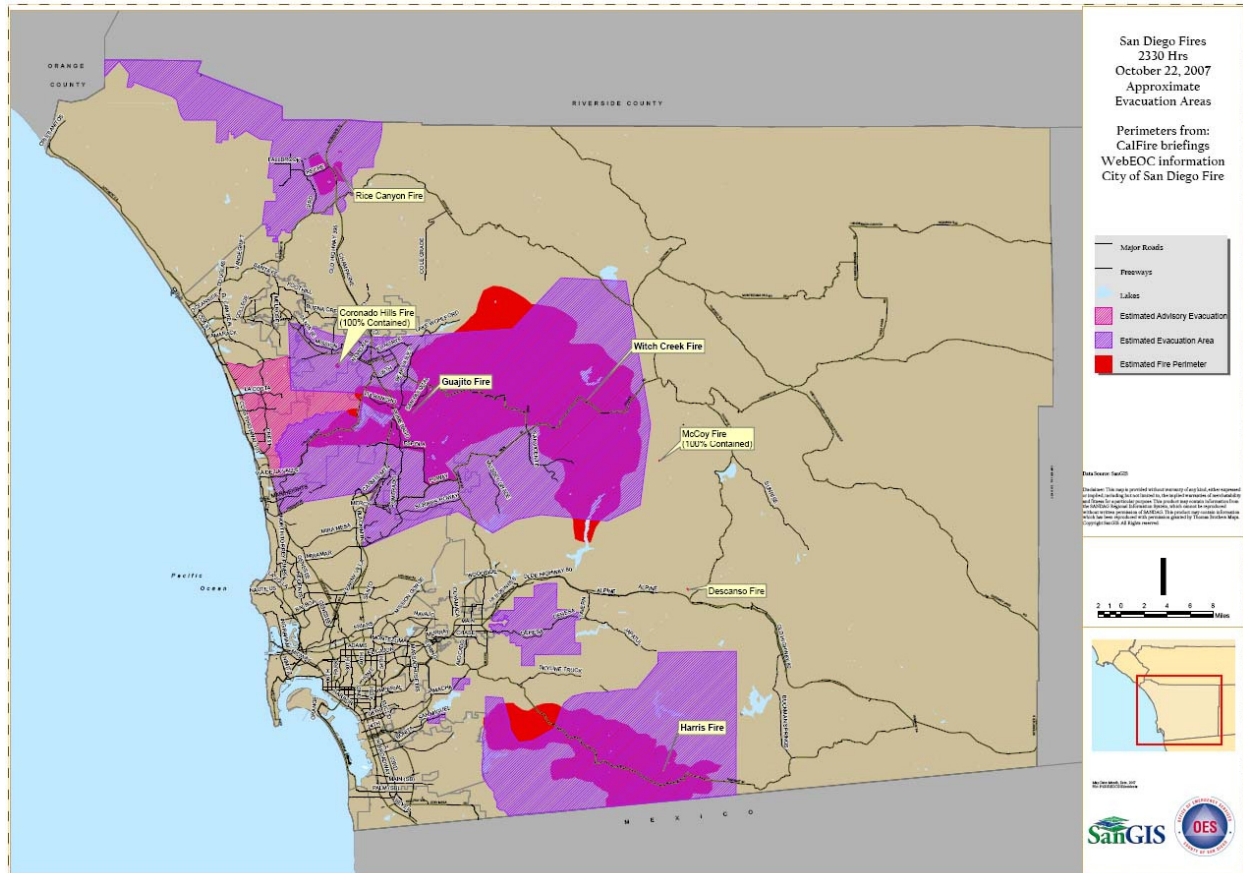




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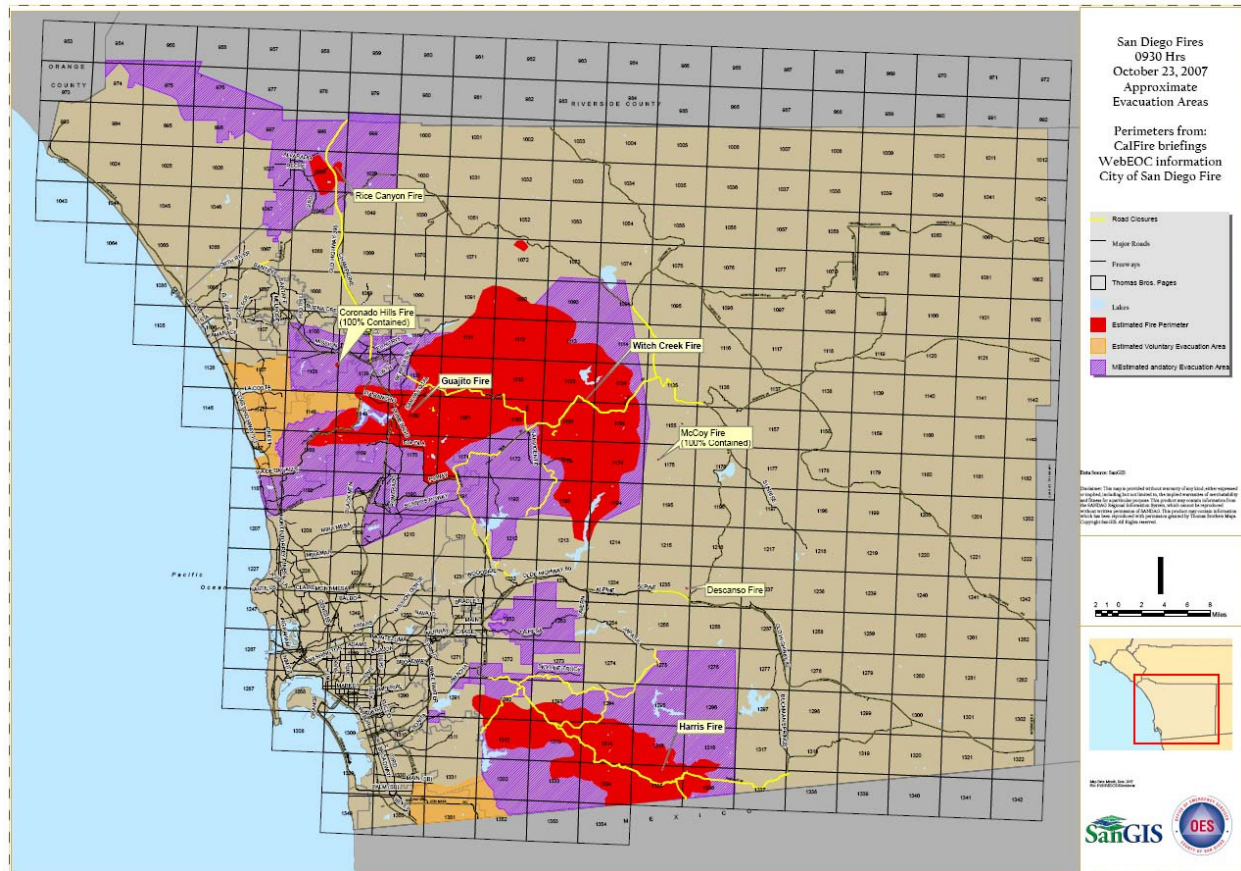




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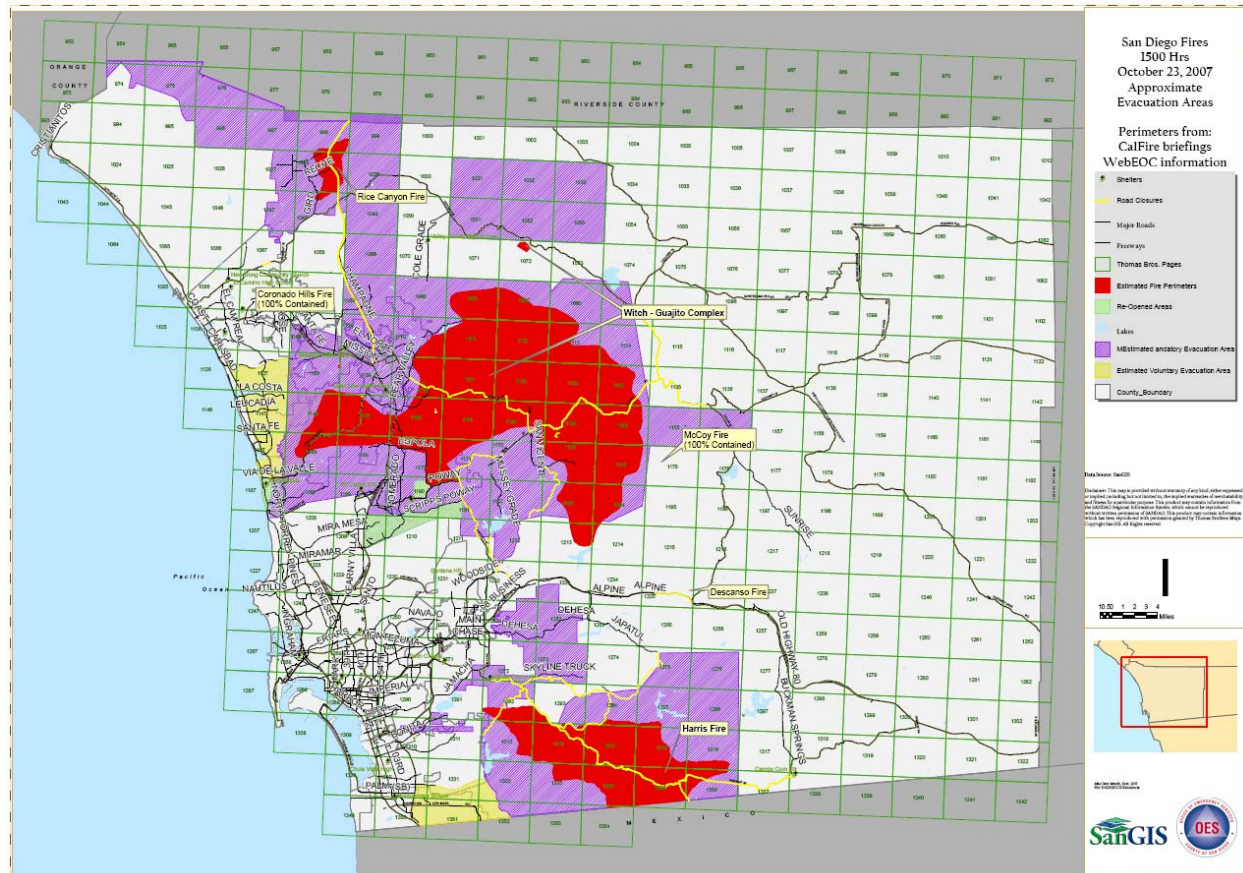




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October 23, 2007: 1500 PST

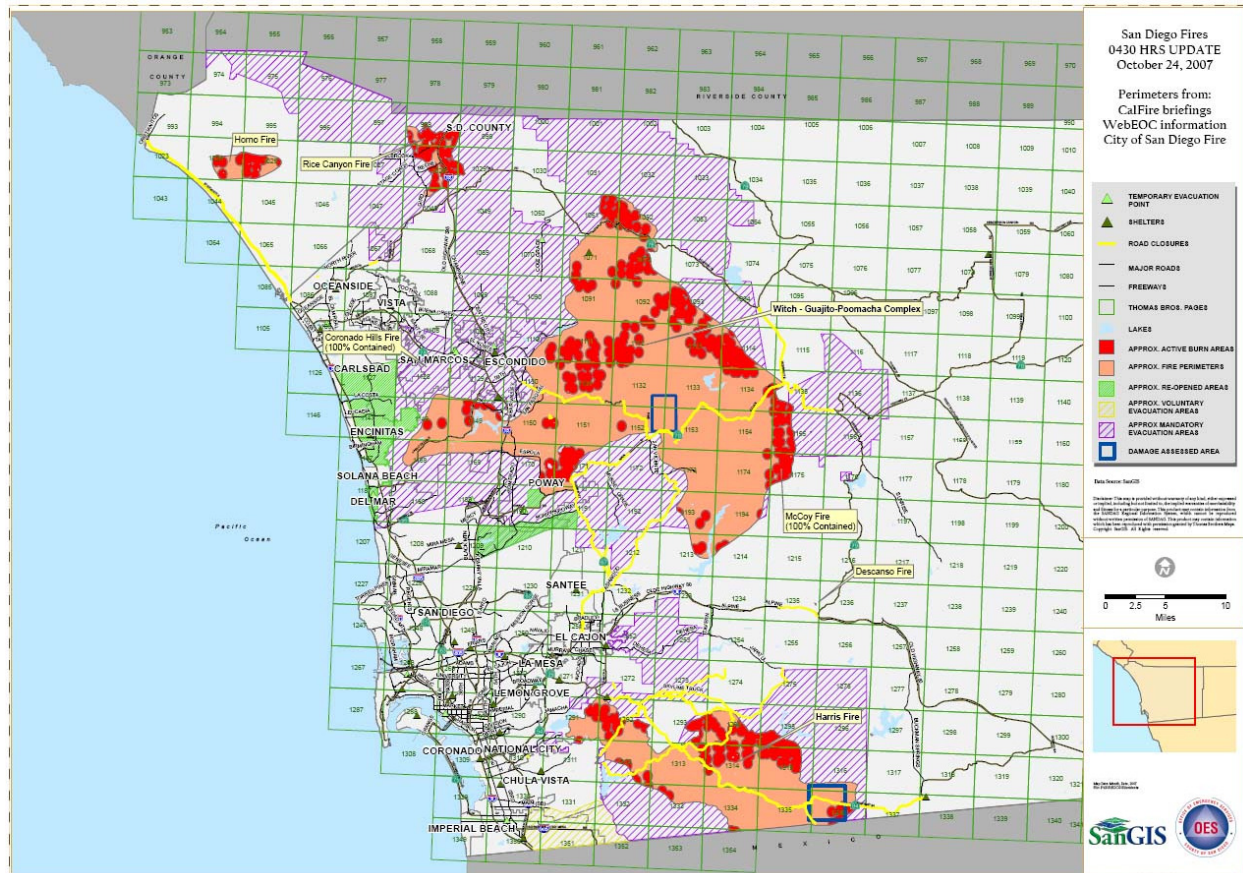




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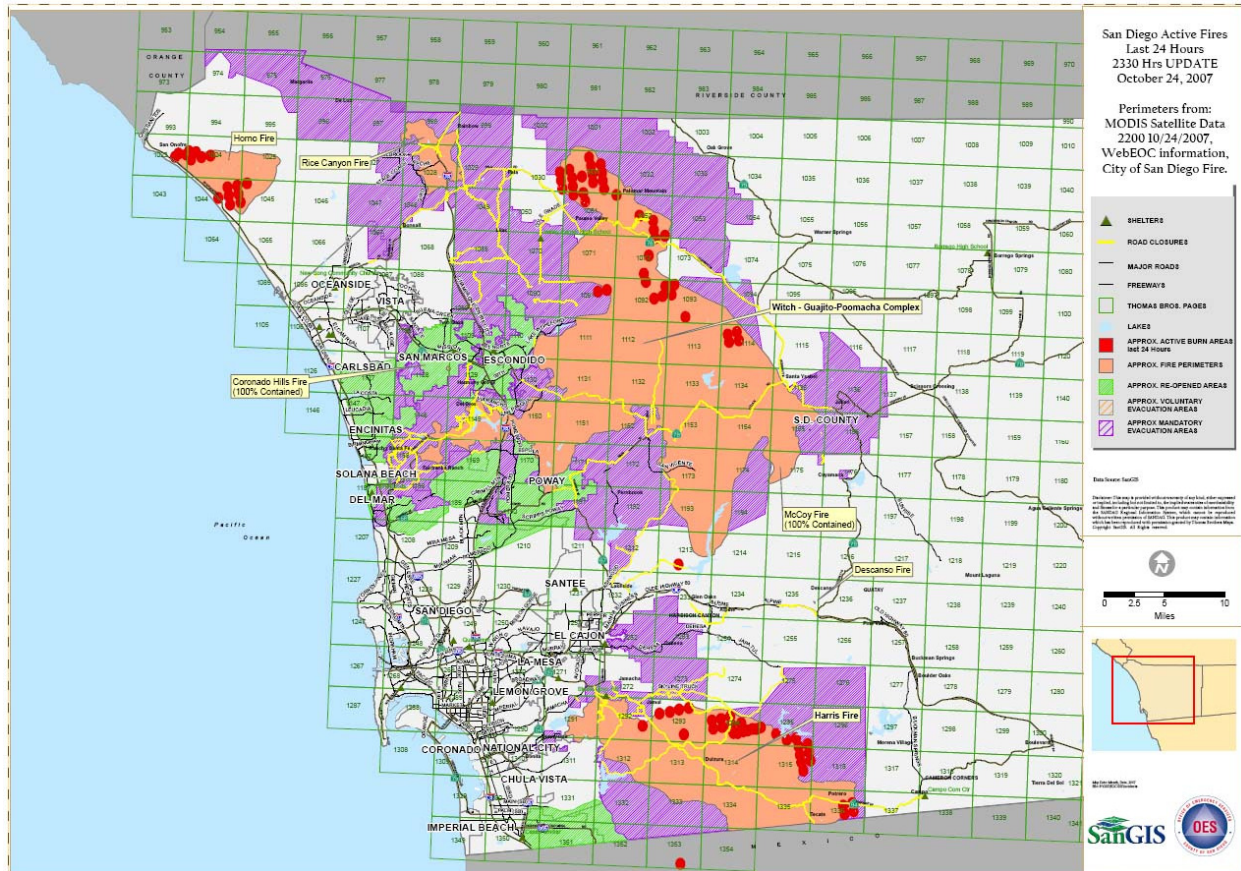




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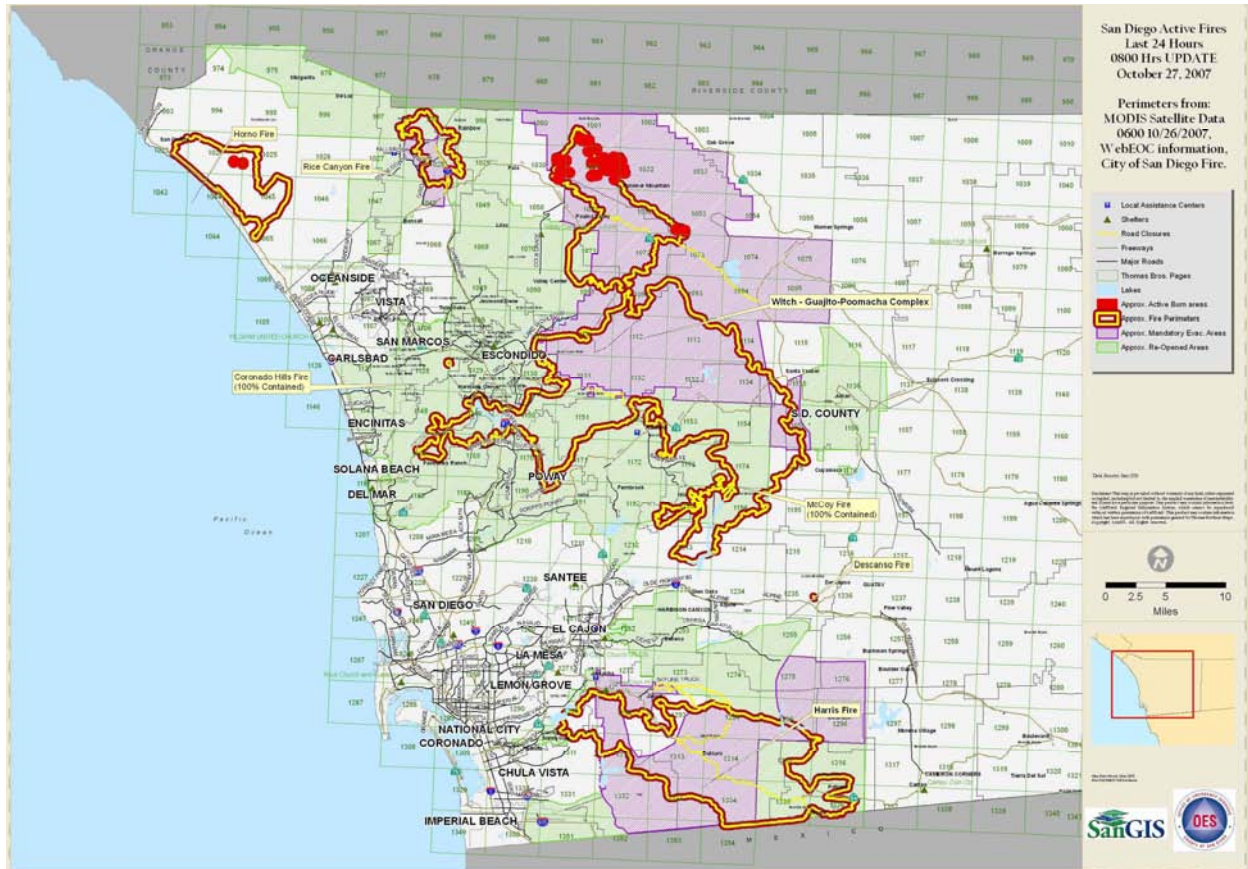




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October 27, 2007: 0800 PST

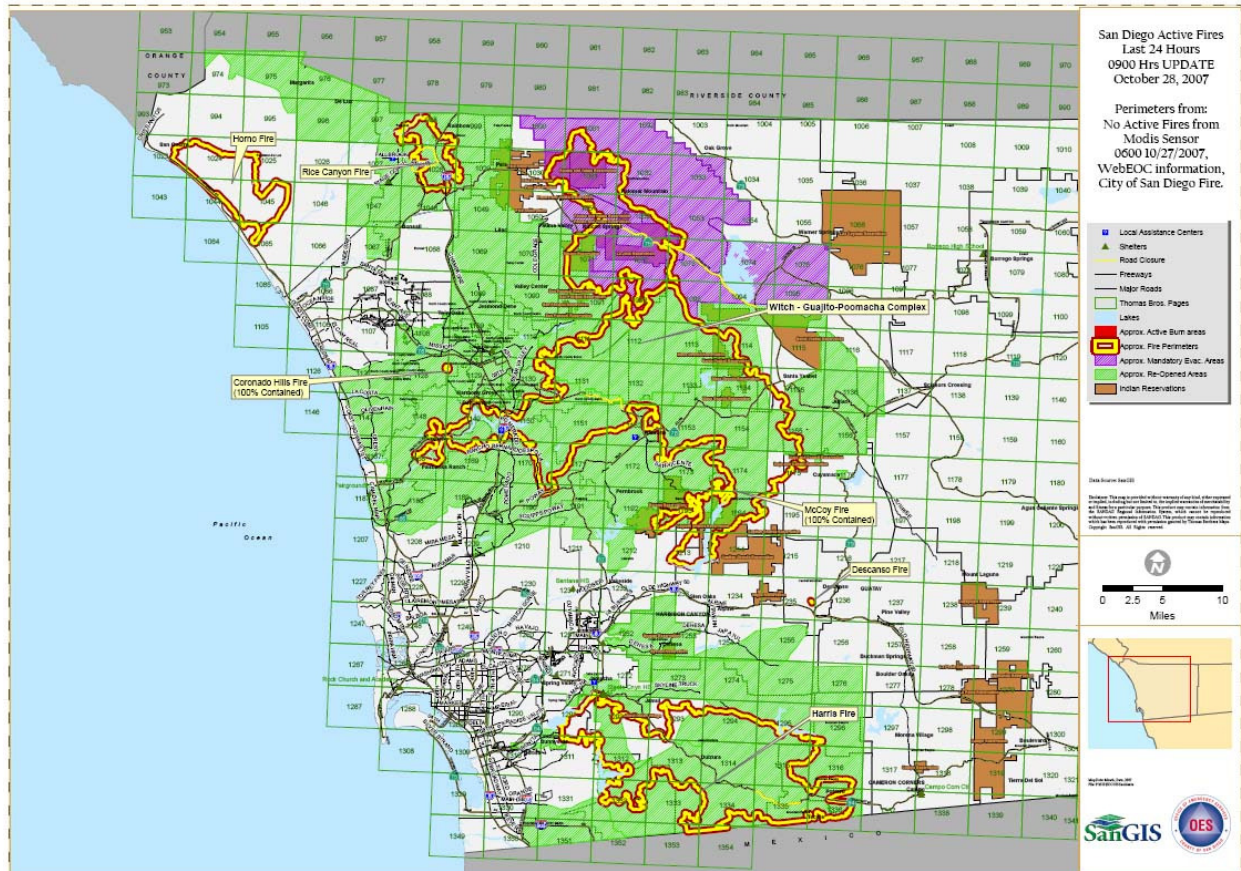




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October 28, 2007: 0900 PST

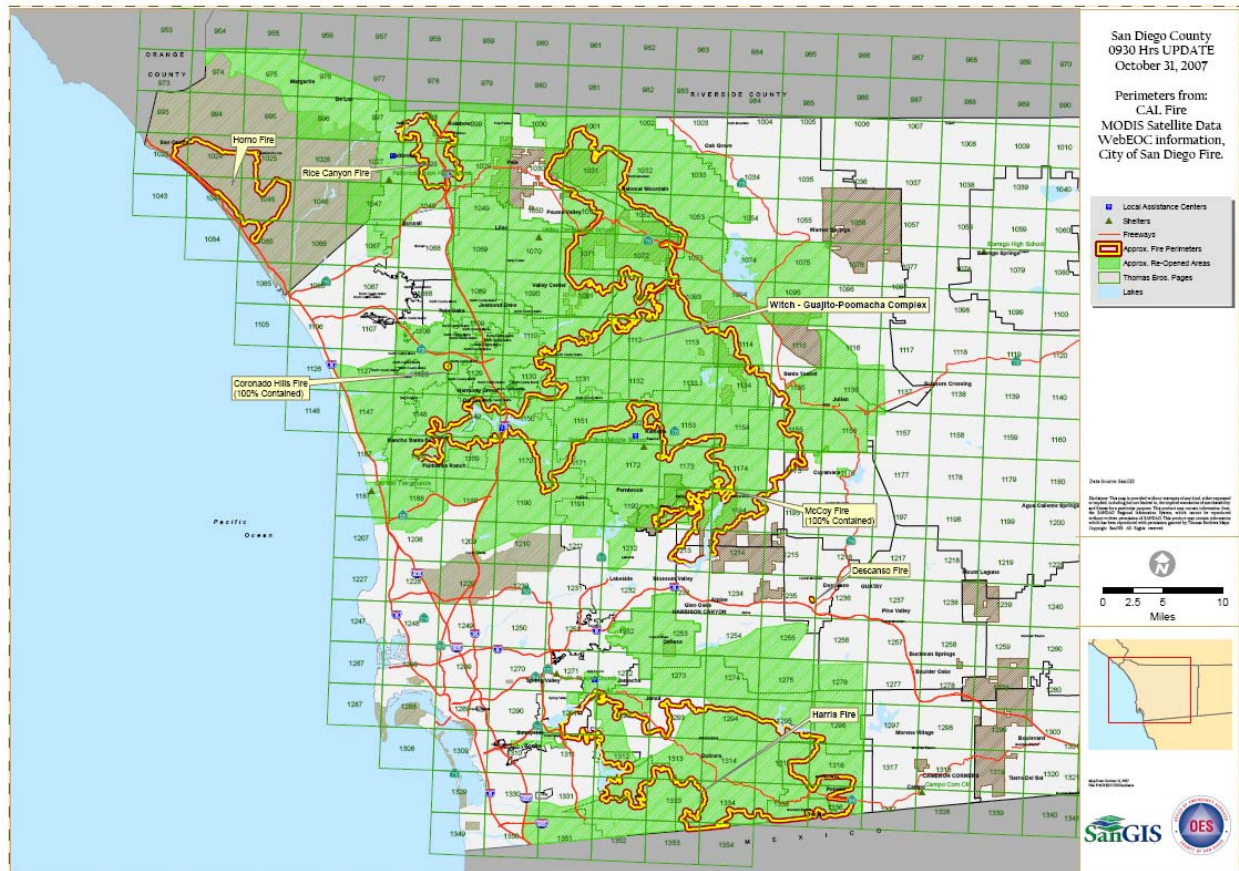




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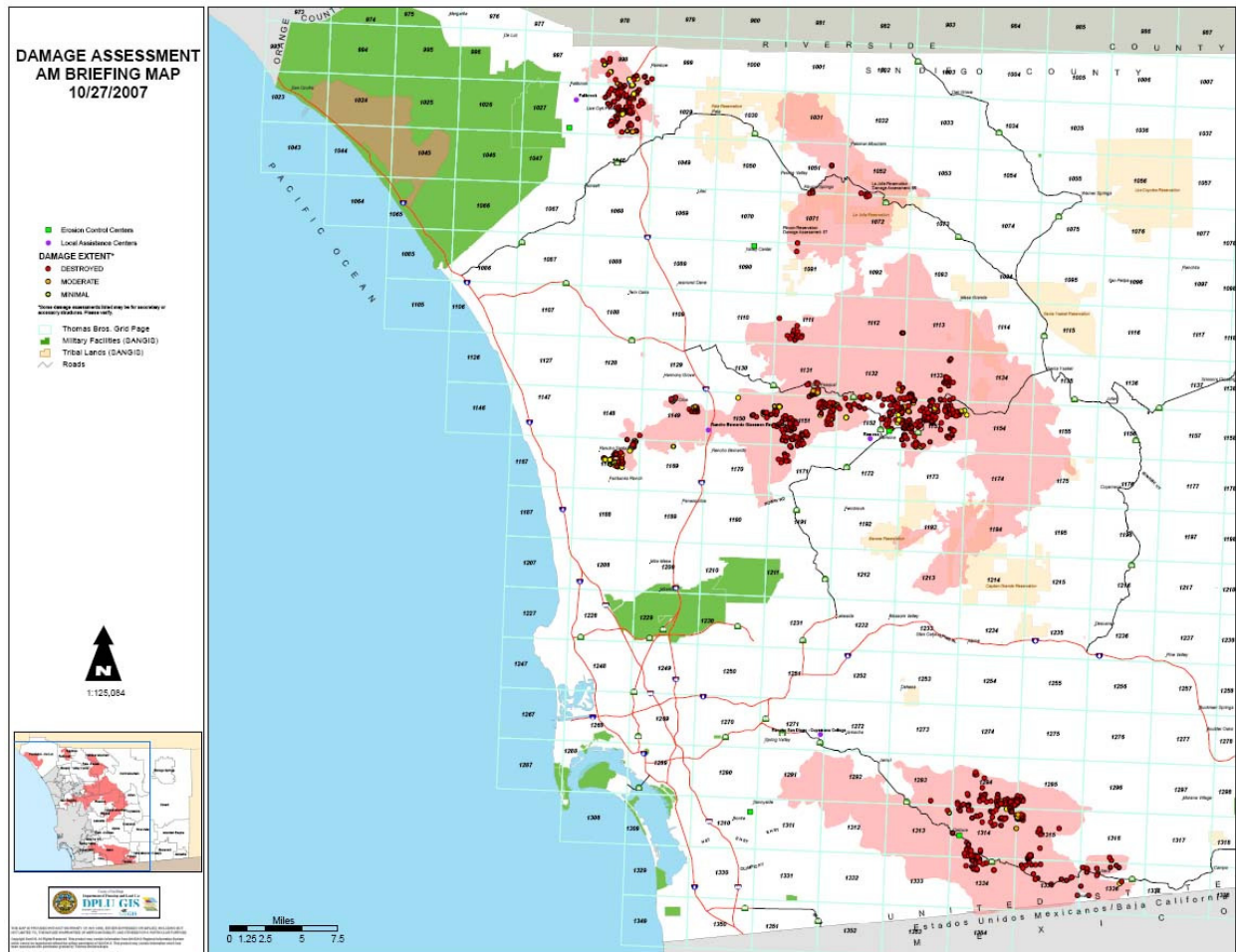


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DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

October 27, 2007





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APPENDIX C: DECLARATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Below is the proclamation issued by San Diego County in response to the 2007 San Diego County Firestorms:

PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY AND RESOLUTION REQUESTING GOVERNOR TO PROCLAIM A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 8183 of the County of San Diego empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when said County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services of the County of San Diego does hereby find that on October 21, 2007 conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within this County, caused by two fires that began on the 21st day of October, 2007: the Harris Fire in South County commencing at approximately 9:45 a.m. and the Ramona Highway 78 Fire in East County commencing at approximately 12:50 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and

WHEREAS, this Proclamation of Local Emergency will be ratified by the Board of Supervisors within seven days of being issued; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services finds that these emergency conditions are beyond the control of local resources, services, personnel, equipment and facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED by the Director of Emergency Services of the County of San Diego that a local emergency exists throughout San Diego County pursuant to government Code, Section 8558, and shall be deemed to continue to exist for fourteen days or until its termination is proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors; 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 this county shall be those prescribed by State law, ordinances, and resolutions of the County, and by the County of San Diego Emergency Plan, as approved by the Board of Supervisors in September, 2006.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim San Diego County to be in a State of Emergency and further that the Governor request a Presidential Declaration.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that Walter F. Ekard, Chief Administrative Officer, or his representative is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the County of San Diego for the purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available state and federal assistance.

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

By:

Date/Time: 10-21-07; 2:46 p.m.

Walter Ekard,
Director of Emergency Services



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**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2007**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 25

**SUBJECT: OFF-AGENDA CONSIDERATION #1:
RATIFY PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY:
OCTOBER 2007 FIRESTORM (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW:

On October 21, 2007, the Chief Administrative Officer, serving as the County's Director of Emergency Services and as Coordinator of the Unified San Diego County Emergency Services Organization, issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency as a result of the Harris Fire in the southern portion of the County and the Ramona Highway 78 Fire in the eastern portion of the County. San Diego County Ordinance No. 8183 (County Regulatory Code Ordinances sections 31.101 et seq.) and California Government Code Section 8630(b) require that the Board of Supervisors ratify Proclamations of Local Emergency within seven days of being issued. This is additionally a request to establish appropriations in the Office of Emergency Services for the first costs related to the initial response and recovery efforts associated with Firestorm 2007.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The funds for this request are available in the County's Contingency Reserve. If approved, this request will result in up to \$3 million in initial costs related to the response to and recovery from the October 2007 Firestorm.

RECOMMENDATION:

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Ratify the attached Proclamation of Local Emergency made by the Chief Administrative Officer on October 21, 2007.
2. Find that there is a need for continuing the local emergency until no longer needed, subject to Government Code 8630(c) review requirements.
3. Transfer appropriations of \$3 million from the General Fund Contingency Reserve to the Office of Emergency Services for the costs related to the initial response and recovery efforts associated with the October 2007 Firestorm. **(4 VOTES)**

25.1 ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Slater-Price, seconded by Supervisor Jacob, the Board of Supervisors found that the need to take action arose subsequent to the Agenda being posted, and placed the item on the agenda.

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Slater-Price, Roberts, Horn



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25.2 ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Jacob, seconded by Supervisor Slater-Price, the Board took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Slater-Price, Roberts, Horn

State of California)
County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

THOMAS J. PASTUSZKA
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



By 
David Hall, Deputy



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WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services of the County of San Diego does hereby find that on October 21, 2007 conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the County of San Diego, caused by several fires, the first two of which commenced on October 21, 2007, at approximately 9:45 a.m. The fires consist of the Harris, Witch, Rice, Poomacha, Coronado Hills, Guajito, McCoy, and Horno Fires and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and

WHEREAS, this Proclamation of Local Emergency will be ratified by the Board of Supervisors within seven days of being issued; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services finds that these emergency conditions are beyond the control of local resources, services, personnel, equipment and facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED by the Director of Emergency Services of the County of San Diego that a local emergency exists throughout San Diego County pursuant to government Code, Section 8558, and shall be deemed to continue to exist for fourteen days or until its termination is proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors; and

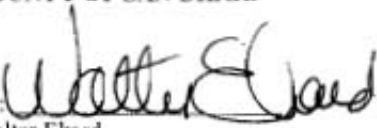
IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of this county shall be those prescribed by State law, ordinances, and resolutions of the County, and by the County of San Diego Emergency Plan, as approved by the Board of Supervisors in September, 2006.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim San Diego County to be in a State of Emergency and further that the Governor request a Presidential Declaration.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that Walter F. Ekard, Chief Administrative Officer, or his representative is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the County of San Diego for the purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available state and federal assistance.

Revised:
Date/Time: 10-24-07; 6:00 a.m.

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

By: 
Walter Ekard,
Director of Emergency Services



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DATE: October 24, 2007

TO: Ron Roberts, Chairman
Supervisor Greg Cox, Vice-Chairman
Supervisor Dianne Jacob
Supervisor Pam Slater
Supervisor Bill Horn

FROM: Walt Ekard, Chief Administrative Officer

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OFF-AGENDA CONSIDERATION: (4/5 Vote)

Action to Ratify the County Proclamation of Local Emergency Caused by Multiple Wildfires in San Diego County

In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2 (b) and Board Policy A-72, your consent is requested for Off-Agenda consideration of the attached item. The facts supporting the need to take action at this time, which arose subsequent to the Agenda being posted, are as follows:

On October 21, 2007, the Chief Administrative Officer, acting as Director of Emergency Services for the County of San Diego and as Coordinator of the Unified San Diego County Emergency Services Organization, issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency as a result of multiple wildfires in San Diego County. San Diego County Ordinance No. 8183, County Regulatory Code sections 31.101 et seq., and California Government Code section 8630 require that the Board of Supervisors ratify Proclamations of Local Emergency within seven days of being issued. This late agenda item will also transfer \$3 million in appropriations from the County's Contingency Reserves to support the initial costs of the response and recovery efforts of the October 2007 Firestorm. The next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors is not until November 6, 2007, which is more than seven days from October 21, 2007.

Therefore, there is a need for this matter to be considered as part of the October 24, 2007 agenda of the Board of Supervisors, rather than the following regular meeting of the Board on November 6, 2007, because this Proclamation of Local Emergency must be ratified prior to October 28, 2007.

Thank you for your consideration.



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RECOMMENDATION FOR OFF-AGENDA CONSIDERATION:

Find this item conforms to provisions of the California Government Code Section 54954.2 (b), authorizing a legislative body to take action on an item not appearing on the posted agenda.

Respectfully,

WALTER F. EKARD
Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment (Original plus 5 copies)



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DATE: October 24, 2007

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT: Ratify Proclamation of Local Emergency: October 2007 Firestorm (District: All)

SUMMARY:

Overview

On October 21, 2007, the Chief Administrative Officer, serving as the County's Director of Emergency Services and as Coordinator of the Unified San Diego County Emergency Services Organization, issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency as a result of the Harris Fire in the southern portion of the County and the Ramona Highway 78 Fire in the eastern portion of the County. San Diego County Ordinance No. 8183 (County Regulatory Code Ordinances sections 31.101 et seq.) and California Government Code Section 8630(b) require that the Board of Supervisors ratify Proclamations of Local Emergency within seven days of being issued. This is additionally a request to establish appropriations in the Office of Emergency Services for the first costs related to the initial response and recovery efforts associated with Firestorm 2007.

Recommendation(s)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Ratify the attached Proclamation of Local Emergency made by the Chief Administrative Officer on October 21, 2007.
2. Find that there is a need for continuing the local emergency until no longer needed, subject to Government Code 8630(c) review requirements.
3. Transfer appropriations of \$3 million from the General Fund Contingency Reserve to the Office of Emergency Services for the costs related to the initial response and recovery efforts associated with the October 2007 Firestorm. (4 VOTES)

Fiscal Impact

The funds for this request are available in the County's Contingency Reserve. If approved, this request will result in up to \$3 million in initial costs related to the response to and recovery from the October 2007 Firestorm.

Business Impact Statement

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N/A

Advisory Board Statement

N/A

BACKGROUND:

Commencing on October 21, 2007 two fires broke out in San Diego County, one in the southern portion of the county near Potrero and the other in the eastern section of the County near Ramona. Due to extreme Santa Ana conditions, characterized by fierce wind gusts and low humidity, these fires quickly began to burn out of control. As of 11:00 p.m. on October 21, 2007 the Harris Fire and the Ramona Highway 78 Fire were both burning out of control encompassing more than 20,000 acres. The fires also burned at least 12 structures, caused injuries to at least nine individuals, including firefighters, and claimed the life of one individual.

On October 21, 2007 at 2:46 p.m. the Chief Administrative Officer, acting as the County Director of Emergency Services and Coordinator of the Unified San Diego County Emergency Services Organization issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency as a result of the Harris Fire and the Ramona Highway 78 Fire. Included in the County's Proclamation of a Local Emergency is a request for Governor's Proclamation as well as a request for a Presidential Declaration that an emergency exists in San Diego County. Under San Diego County Ordinance No. 8183 (County Regulatory Ordinances section 31.101 et seq.) and the 5th Amended Emergency Services Agreement, the Director of Emergency Services/Coordinator of the Unified San Diego County Emergency Services Organization is empowered to proclaim a local emergency when the Board of Supervisors is not in session. The extreme weather conditions and fast-moving fires warranted a proclamation of a local emergency. A copy of the proclamation was forwarded to the Governor's Office at 5:49 p.m. on October 21. However, California Government Code Section 8630(b) requires that the governing board ratify the proclamation with seven days. Section 8630(c) further requires review of the state of emergency at subsequent Board meetings until the state of emergency is terminated.

The Board's ratification of the Proclamation of Local Emergency will:

- Give public employees, the County, Cities and Special Districts legal immunities for emergency actions taken.
- Enable the County and other local governments to request State and Federal assistance under the State and Federal Disaster Assistance Programs if State and Federal Proclamations are issued.
- Allow the Chief Administrative Officer (or authorized official) to take preventive measures necessary to protect and preserve public health and safety.



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On October 21, 2007, the Governor proclaimed a State of Emergency in San Diego County. The Presidential Declaration of Emergency is pending upon the writing of this document. The County's Emergency Operations Center has been on continuous activation since October 21st. The County continues to deploy resources to the emergency response for evacuation and resident safety and will begin to move toward the recovery phase of the disaster. In that phase the County will establish and equip Local Assistance Centers to assist in the Recovery. It will also be necessary to acquire equipment, supplies and services to be used for the initial phase of debris removal and soil erosion control. To begin to respond to the needs of the residents of San Diego County during and following this emergency, these initial funds of \$3 million are requested. This action provides only initial funding. As the extent of the disaster is determined, additional resources may be necessary. As detailed assessments and cost estimates are developed, we will return to your Board to allocate additional funding.

Linkage to the County of San Diego Strategic Plan

This recommendation supports the Safe and Livable Communities Initiative and the Regional Leadership required discipline of the County's Strategic Plan.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER F. EKARD
Chief Administrative Officer



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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

CONCURRENCE(S)

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW

Written Disclosure per County Charter
Section 1000.1 Required

☒ Yes

☐ Yes

☒ No

GROUP/AGENCY FINANCE DIRECTOR

☒ Yes

☐ N/A

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Requires Four Votes

☒ Yes

☒ Yes

☐ N/A

☐ No

**GROUP/AGENCY INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR**

☐ Yes

☒ N/A

COUNTY TECHNOLOGY OFFICE

☐ Yes

☒ N/A

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

☐ Yes

☒ N/A

Other Concurrence(s): N/A

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Office of Emergency Services

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AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE:

Ron Lane,
Director, Office of Emergency Services



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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET (continued)

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

N/A

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

N/A

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

N/A

CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):

N/A



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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

DEPARTMENT: Office of Emergency Services
PROGRAM: Disaster Response and Recovery
PROPOSAL: Contingency Reserve Fund

	(a) Budgeted Amount For Proposal	(b) Proposed Change in Budgeted Amount	(c) Proposed Revised Current Year Budget (a+b)	FUTURE YEARS ESTIMATED BUDGET OF PROPOSAL IF ADOPTED	
				(d) 1st Subsequent Year	(e) 2nd Subsequent Year
Direct Cost	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	0	0
Revenue/Other Offset	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0
NET GENERAL FUND COST	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	0	0
Staff Years	0	0	0	0	0

Sources of Revenue/Other Offset for Proposed Change and Subsequent Years:
Contingency Reserve Fund \$3,000,000

Space-Related Impacts: Will this proposal result in any additional space requirements? ☐ Yes ☒ N/A

Support/Other Departmental Impacts: ☐ Yes ☒ N/A

Remarks: ☐ Yes ☒ N/A



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Staff Years	0	0	0	0	0

Sources of Revenue/Other Offset for Proposed Change and Subsequent Years:
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Support/Other Departmental Impacts: ☐ Yes ☒ N/A

Remarks: ☐ Yes ☒ N/A



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COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

ORIGINATING UNIT Auditor & Controller

DATE 10/22/2007

TRANSFER FROM DEPT General Fund - Contingency Reserve

TRANSFER TO DEPT Office of Emergency Services

NAME/TITLE Jonel Peha
(Signature of Department Head or Designee)

NAME/TITLE _____
(Signature of Department Head or Designee)

Category	Budget
Source	Budget Journal
Currency	USD
Budget	AMENDED
Batch Name	AUDDWG040
Batch Description	REQUEST FOR TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS
Journal Name	AUDDWG040
Journal Description	Transfer appropriations from Contingency Reserve to OES for 2007 fire emergency
Journal Reference	Approved by the Board of Supervisors - Date: Minute Order No.

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Totals:							3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00			
GROUP FINANCE DIRECTOR APPROVAL				YES/NO	IS FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATED?		NO				
Approved: <u>Jonel Peha</u>				YES	GROUP FUND BALANCE						
FINANCE DIRECTOR				DATE	GENERAL FUND BALANCE						
				<u>10-24-07</u>	AMOUNT						
Approved					FUNDING SOURCE (Select option from drop down list below)						
FINANCE DIRECTOR				DATE							
BOARD ACTION REQUIRED?				YES							
Approved and/or authorized by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego.											
Date: <u>10/24/07</u>				Minute Order No. <u>25</u>							
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors				Deputy Clerk <u>Nancy Nguyen</u>							
								AUDITOR AND CONTROLLER			
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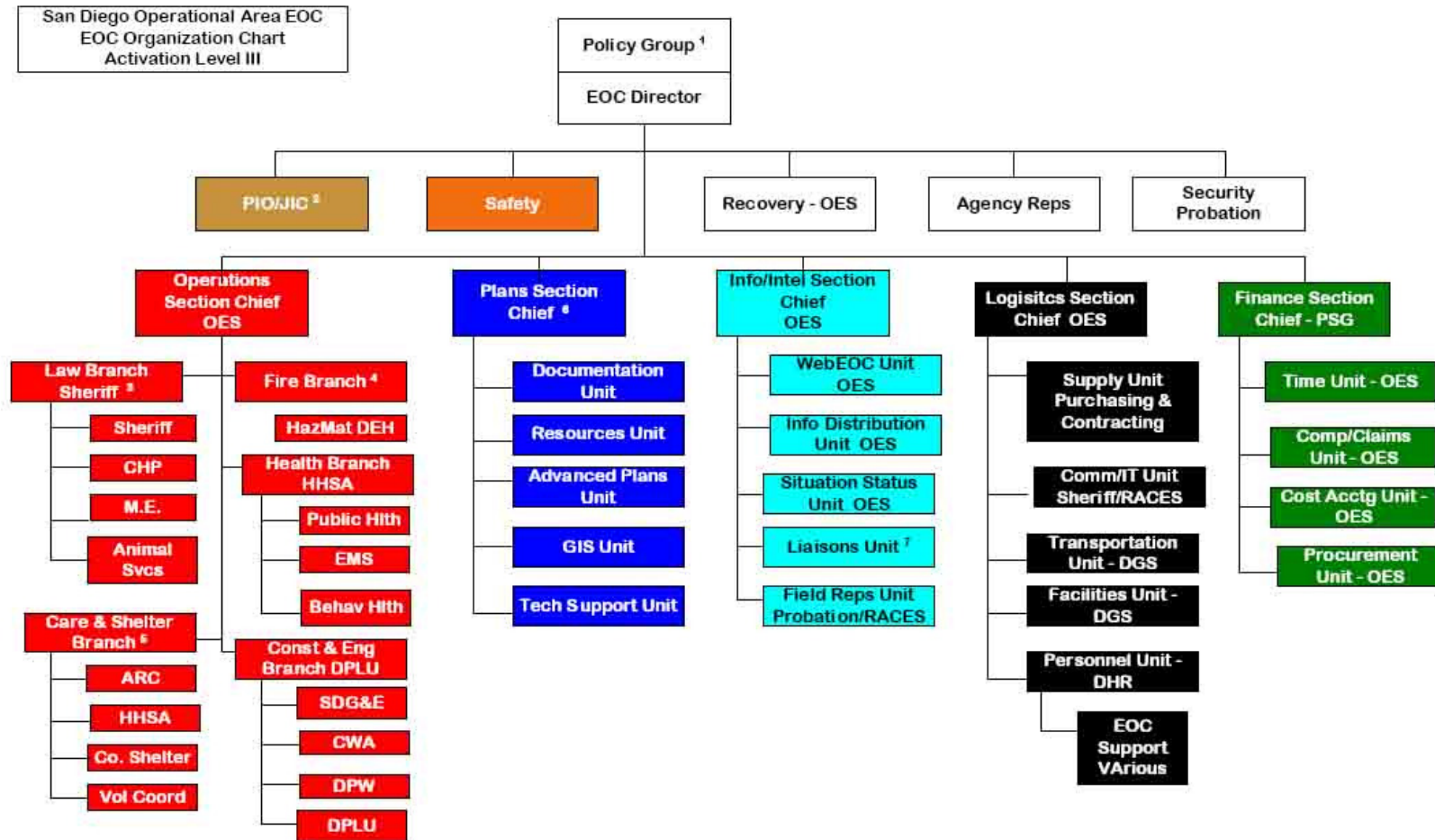
APPENDIX D: OAEOC ORGANIZATION CHART – LEVEL 3 ACTIVATION

The Operational Area Emergency Operations Center (OAEOC) Organization Chart – Level 3 Activation follows on the next page.



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EOC Staffing During the 2007 October Fires

Notes for the Organization Chart

Note 1

The **Policy Group** consisted of:

Chief Administrative Officer/Assistant Chief Administrative Officer

Deputy Chief Administrative Officers for:

Public Safety

Health and Human Services Agency

Land Use and Environmental Group

Finance and General Government Group

Community Services Group

County Counsel

Director, Department of Media and Public Relations

Area Fire Coordinator (North County Fire Protection District, Sycuan Fire,

Coronado Fire, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

Sheriff

Public Health Officer

Note 2

The **Joint Information Center** was staffed by:

San Diego County Office of Emergency Services

San Diego County Department of Media and Public Relations

211 San Diego

San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency

San Diego County Department of Public Works

Note 3

The **Law Branch** was staffed by:

Coordinator – San Diego County Sheriff's Department

Assisting Agencies:

California Highway Patrol

San Diego County Medical Examiner

San Diego County Animal Services

California Department of Motor Vehicles

Caltrans

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Chula Vista Police Department



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The Deputy Operations Section Chief position was filled by Yuba County Office of Emergency Services and Kern County Office of Emergency Services

Note 4

The **Fire Branch** was staffed by:

Coordinator –	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (most time spent in Policy Group)
HazMat –	San Diego County Department of Environmental Health
Health Branch -	San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency
Public Health -	San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency
EMS -	San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency
Behavioral Health -	San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency

Note 5

The **Care and Shelter Branch** was staffed by:

Coordinator –	San Diego County Office of Emergency Services
County Shelters –	San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency
Shelters -	American Red Cross
Volunteer Coordinator -	Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (not in EOC)

Note 6

Planning Section Chief -	San Diego County Office of Emergency Services/Sutter County Office of Emergency Services/Butte County Office of Emergency Services
Documentation -	San Diego County Office of Emergency Services/San Luis Obispo County Office of Emergency Services
Advanced Plans -	San Luis Obispo County Office of Emergency Services
Tech Support -	Northrup Grumman, National Weather Service, San Diego County Air Pollution Control District, San Diego County Sheriff's Department Data Services
GIS -	SDSURF, Land Use and Environmental Group, San Diego County Office of Emergency Services

Note 7

Liaisons were present from the following agencies:

Federal Agencies:

US Department of Homeland Security
Customs and Border Protection
Border Patrol
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)



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Immigration and Customs Enforcement/Office of Investigations
US Coast Guard

US Army
US Marine Corps
US Navy
US Forest Service

State Agencies:

California Air National Guard
California Army National Guard
California Office of Emergency Services
California Department of Public Health
California State Parks
Regional Metropolitan Water District

Other Agencies:

City of San Diego
City of Tijuana (Mexico) Fire Department
Nevada National Guard



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APPENDIX E: IMPROVEMENT PLAN

This Improvement Plan (IP) has been developed specifically for the County of San Diego as a result of the 2007 San Diego County Firestorms.

CHAPTER 2: REGIONAL RESPONSE RECOMMENDATIONS			
Recommendation	Corrective Action Description	Responsible Party/Agency	Completion Date
Recommendation 1: Create a Support Unit Leader position in the Operational Area Emergency Operations Center to oversee various support functions (e.g., WebEOC training, runner/controller duties).	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		
Recommendation 2: Review protocols for notifying the OAEOC of an initial fire, specifically if red flag warnings or Santa Ana wind conditions are to be taken into consideration for notification of all wildland fires (rather than only "significant" ones).	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		
Recommendation 3: Within the OAEOC Care and Shelter Branch, include a coordinator and at least one additional support person (focused on shelter management), as well as a special needs position dedicated to the OAEOC.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		



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CHAPTER 2: REGIONAL RESPONSE RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation	Corrective Action Description	Responsible Party/Agency	Completion Date
Recommendation 4: Create formalized staff check-in and check-out procedures, including a checklist of key items that will be briefed to incoming staff and written protocols for shift arrival (to arrive no less than 1/2 hour prior to a shift) and departure.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 5: Review recovery/repopulation procedures and ensure they continue to meet all safety concerns while maintaining flexibility and expediency.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		
Recommendation 6: Add more Internet connection lines in the JIC.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 7: Establish a position for a public safety liaison in 211 San Diego during emergency operations.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 8: Integrate the new AlertSanDiego Geographic Information System (GIS) capabilities with the GIS technologies in the OAEOC.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 9: Provide the GIS Emergency Group SOP to other jurisdictions and agencies so they can better understand the county's response and can formulate their response in accordance.	Corrective Action 1: xx		



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Recommendation	Corrective Action Description	Responsible Party/Agency	Completion Date
Recommendation 10: Improve coordination with agencies and utilities that can provide mapping capabilities pertaining to their assets and infrastructure. Examples include the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for road closures, San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) for power outages, and County Water Authority for water supply.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 11: Identify and acquire necessary equipment to support mobile command post operations.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 12: Establish mutual aid agreements with animal evacuation sites.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 13: Provide additional laptops, landlines, and headsets to the Logistics Section at the OAEOC.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 14: Update and improve the resource list on WebEOC.	Corrective Action 1: xx		



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CHAPTER 2: REGIONAL RESPONSE RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation	Corrective Action Description	Responsible Party/Agency	Completion Date
Recommendation 15: Continue to refine mass-notification databases so that as many unique homes (e.g. those homes with addressing anomalies) are in the system. This may entail and overlap city and county systems. Ensure the SOP addresses the community of Warner Springs.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 16: Continue WebEOC training and outreach to county fire agencies.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 17: Establish a volunteer coordinator position within the OAEOC to communicate with all volunteer agencies regarding spontaneous volunteers.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 18: Ensure that field liaisons have easily identifiable credentials. In addition, an official county vehicle would help to ensure access to restricted areas. Laptop computer and wireless Internet capabilities should be available for use by field liaison personnel.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 19: Pre-identify agencies, based on the type of incident, for which liaison personnel may be needed. Suggest that agencies only send one person per shift, unless otherwise requested.	Corrective Action 1: xx		



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CHAPTER 2: REGIONAL RESPONSE RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation	Corrective Action Description	Responsible Party/Agency	Completion Date
Recommendation 20: Identify and train assessment teams to be available at shelter locations in order to better communicate resource needs to the OAEOC.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 21: Revise Annex G to include all necessary areas that will be addressed during a disaster in respect to care and shelter.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 22: Expand coordination with local military, and continue to conduct joint regional training and exercises within the military, including Golden Phoenix and Golden Guardian annual exercises.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 23: Establish a series of regional shelter caches, to include cots, blankets and comfort kits, to supplement the capabilities of the Red Cross.	Corrective Action 1: xx		



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CHAPTER 4: MEDICAL OPERATIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation	Corrective Action Description	Responsible Party/Agency	Completion Date
Recommendation 1: Enhance the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) deployment protocols, instructions for response, improved training in shelter operations, and a "Shelter Starter Kit" that would contain forms/materials/supplies needed for opening a shelter.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		
Recommendation 2: Enhance credentialing system for convergent volunteers (i.e., ad hoc medical volunteers).	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		
Recommendation 3: Expand the relationship with skilled nursing facilities (SNFs) throughout the operational area.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 4: Ensure that providers receive a guidebook (or instructions) for disaster reimbursement that would specifically address the reimbursement issues for the medical community, and work closely with the State to locate and/or develop the guidebook.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		
Recommendation 5: Formalize the "patient push pack" concept with medical facilities.	Corrective Action 1: xx		



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CHAPTER 4: MEDICAL OPERATIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation	Corrective Action Description	Responsible Party/Agency	Completion Date
Recommendation 6: Ensure adequate support personnel for the Medical Health Branch Coordinator at the OAEOC is available.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		
Recommendation 7: Further discuss the feasibility of a hospital and SNF patient tracking system consisting of identification bands with critical medical information.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 8: Further develop hospital evacuation plans to adequately address transport of patients to temporary facilities; work closely with the MOC in planning efforts.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 9: Continue planning efforts between special needs advocates, volunteer agencies, the MOC, the American Red Cross, the OAEOC, and various other agencies and departments.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 10: Identify a centralized location to coordinate special needs response operations, and ensure it includes the necessary agency representatives and support staff.	Corrective Action 1: xx		



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CHAPTER 6: LAW ENFORCEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation	Corrective Action Description	Responsible Party/Agency	Completion Date
Recommendation 1: Add additional resources and manpower to the Sheriff's Emergency Planning Unit. This will allow the unit to accelerate emergency planning, increase disaster preparedness training for field deputies, and provide continual feature and capacity upgrades for Emergency Response Assessment Team (ERAT) and Department Operations Center (DOC) operations, and other Sheriff's Department technology projects.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		
Recommendation 2: Develop policies for management and deployment of Federal resources, including chain of command and operational duties for National Guard resources.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		
Recommendation 3: Solidify or update mutual aid agreements between law enforcement agencies both within, and adjacent to, San Diego County.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		



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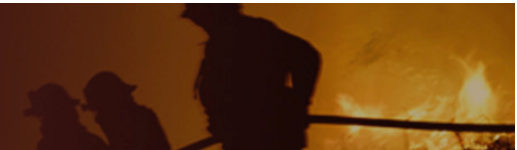
CHAPTER 6: LAW ENFORCEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation	Corrective Action Description	Responsible Party/Agency	Completion Date
Recommendation 4: Establish a Reverse 911 master coordinator position within the Sheriff's Department. The coordinator should be supplemented by an emergency notification team with sufficient resources to manage ingress of notification requests and egress of Reverse 911 and AlertSanDiego emergency notifications.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
Recommendation 5: Develop a re-entry plan to establish protocols, policies, and procedures for ingress of evacuees back into their local communities. The plan must account for exceptional cases encountered by law enforcement during the fires (e.g., live-stock subsistence, medication-dependent evacuees). Establishment of traffic routes that maintain emergency vehicle access should be a priority and included in the plan.	Corrective Action 1: xx Corrective Action 2: xx		



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CHAPTER 7: SHORT-TERM RECOVERY RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation	Corrective Action Description	Responsible Party/Agency	Completion Date
Recommendation 1: Evaluate designating existing County (or other) facilities as being convertible to LACs much the way centers are designated as emergency shelters.	Corrective Action 1: xx		
	Corrective Action 2: xx		