COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL

(1) DEPARTMENT	(2) MEETING DATE	(3) CONTACT/PHONE
Office of Emergency Services	August 8, 2006	Ron Alsop 781-5011

(4) SUBJECT: Recommendation to Terminate the Proclamation of Local Emergency Related to the Impact of Salmon Fishing Restrictions

(5) SUMMARY OF REQUEST: This is a request to terminate the proclamation of Local Emergency the Board of Supervisors initially made on June 27, 2006 related to the impact of fishing restrictions on the local salmon industry.

(6) RECOMMENDED ACTION: It is recommended that your Board terminate the proclamation of Local Emergency initially made due to federal salmon fishing restrictions and the resulting impacts upon the salmon industry throughout San Luis Obispo County..

(7) FUNDING SOURCE(S)	(8) CURRENT YEAR COST	(9) ANNUAL COST	(10) BUDGETED?
N/A	N/A	N/A	☐ No ☐ Yes ☒ N/A

(11) OTHER AGENCY/ADVISORY GROUP INVOLVEMENT (LIST):
State and federal elected officials. The County is also working with other affected counties.

(12) WILL REQUEST REQUIRE ADDITIONAL STAFF? ☒ No ☐ Yes, How Many? _____
☐ Permanent _____ ☐ Limited Term ____ ☐ Contract _____ ☐ Temporary Help _____

(13) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S)
☐ 1st, ☐ 2nd, ☐ 3rd, ☐ 4th, ☐ 5th, ☒ All

(14) LOCATION MAP
☐ Attached ☒ N/A

(15) Maddy Act Appointments Signed-off by Clerk of the Board
☒ N/A

(16) AGENDA PLACEMENT
☒ Consent ☐ Hearing (Time Est. _____)
☐ Presentation ☐ Board Business (Time Est._____)

(17) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS
☐ Resolutions (Orig + 4 copies) ☐ Contracts (Orig + 4 copies)
☐ Ordinances (Orig + 4 copies) ☒ N/A

(18) NEED EXTRA EXECUTED COPIES?
☒ Number: ____4_____ ☐ Attached ☐ N/A

(19) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED?
☐ Submitted ☐ 4/5th's Vote Required ☒ N/A

(20) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR)
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(21) W-9
☒ No ☐ Yes

(22) Agenda Item History
☒ N/A Date:

(23) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW OK - Jim Grant

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DAVID EDGE
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Ron Alsop, Office of Emergency Services Ron Alsop

Date: August 8, 2006

Subject: Recommendation to Terminate the Proclamation of Local Emergency Related to the Impact of Salmon Fishing Restrictions

Recommendation:

It is recommended that your Board terminate the proclamation of Local Emergency initially made due to federal salmon fishing restrictions and the resulting impacts upon the salmon industry throughout San Luis Obispo County.

Discussion:

The San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors proclaimed a Local Emergency, effective June 27, 2006 at 3:00 P.M., for the entire county, due to the serious circumstances of salmon fishing restrictions imposed by the federal government. These restrictions include no salmon fishing for an area of about 300 miles along the California coastline. The restrictions have put the livelihoods of families and businesses dependent upon salmon fishing at risk and have been and will continue to cause severe economic losses to salmon fisher families, individuals, and businesses.

In addition, on June 27 County Administrator David Edge made a request to Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger to add San Luis Obispo County to the proclamation of a State of Emergency he made June 6, 2006 due to the impacts from the significant restrictions that have been imposed on the State's salmon fisheries. On June 29, Governor Schwarzenegger did add our county to his State of Emergency proclamation.

A Local Emergency proclamation expires 14 days from the effective date, unless further extended or terminated. County Code Section 2.80.070 (2) requires that the Board of Supervisors review the need for continuing the local emergency at least every fourteen days until such local emergency is terminated. It also states that a proclamation of the termination of such local emergency occur at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant.

Due to the lack of a regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting within the applicable 14 day timeframe after the June 27, 2006 proclamation of Local Emergency, your Board delegated the authority to review the need for continuing the local emergency to County

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Administrator and Director of Emergency Services David Edge. Having reviewed the need to continue the Local Emergency and having concluded that conditions continued to exist warranting extending the proclamation of Local Emergency, on July 11 CAO/ESD David Edge did extend the proclamation of Local Emergency for 14 days, to July 25, 2006.

On July 25 your Board extended the proclamation of Local Emergency for an additional 14 days, to August 8, 2006.

While the ability to assist local salmon fishers, as well as those who depend on the industry for their livelihood continues to be beyond the resources of the County, this matter is receiving more attention by federal agencies than when your Board initially proclaimed the Local Emergency. One of the goals of proclaiming the Local Emergency is because the County does not have the resources needed to assist the salmon fishers and that state and federal assistance is needed. Since this issue is being addressed at the state and federal level, there is no longer a benefit for the Local Emergency to remain in effect. It is therefore recommended that your Board terminate the proclamation of Local Emergency effective 3:00 P.M. August 8, 2006. The only action needed to extend the terminated the proclamation is your approval of this Board of Supervisors agenda item.

Other Agency Involvement:

The County Administrative Office, including the OES division, have been working with state and federal elected officials in an attempt to help obtain state and federal disaster assistance for local salmon fishers. In addition, the County Administrative Office/OES has worked with other counties to provide input into pending state legislation intended to assist salmon fishers and others dependant on the industry. Even with the termination of Local Emergency, the County will continue to work with state and federal officials on this issue.

Financial Considerations:

As it relates to County financial considerations, there is no measurable impact related to terminating the Local Emergency. There is and will continue to be a severe impact to local salmon fishers as well as those individuals and businesses who provide services for or otherwise depend on the salmon fishing industry, however such assistance is only available through state and federal resources.

Results:

The existence of the proclamation of Local Emergency indicated assistance for those affected by the restrictions was needed beyond the resources and capabilities of the County and helped demonstrate the seriousness of the situation to state and federal agencies which can provide assistance. This in turn helped result in additional state and federal financial assistance being made available to those affected by the salmon fishing restrictions. Now that increased attention to this matter has occurred by state and federal authorities, there is no need to continue the Local Emergency, and terminating it will result in required compliance with County Code Section 2.80.050(2).