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AGENDA WORKSHEET

Consent Regular MEETING DATE: _____
TIME NEEDED: 5-10 min
Contact Person/Department Board of Supervisors
Address: _____
Telephone: _____
Person(s) Appearing & Title: _____

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Subject/Summary of Issue

Review status of local emergency related to drought conditions as declared by Resolution 14-35;
action to extend or terminate local emergency.

Financial Impact? Yes Please describe Impact, indicate funding source & amount budgeted. **No** Please explain why there is no financial impact.

	Definition
Fund:	
Org:	
Account:	

Local Preference Purchase

For Contracts only – Vendor Selection Process? (Please explain how vendor was selected)

Recommended Motion:

Action as the Board of Supervisors deems appropriate.

REVIEWED AS RECOMMENDED BY POLICY

County Counsel _____
Personnel _____
Auditor _____
County Administrator _____

CLERK'S INSTRUCTIONS

Certified Minute Order(s) How many? _____
Other _____

NOTE: TO ENSURE PLACEMENT ON THE AGENDA, THE ORIGINAL AGENDA WORKSHEET ALONG WITH 4 STAPLED, THREE-HOLE PUNCHED COPIES MUST BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE BOARD CLERK BY 12:00 P.M. ON THE WEDNESDAY BEFORE THE BOARD MEETING.

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Revised May 2013

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SISKIYOU, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 14-35

A RESOLUTION OF THE SISKIYOU COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PROCLAIMING A LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO DROUGHT CONDITIONS AND
IMMINENT THREAT OF DISASTER IN SISKIYOU COUNTY

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons, property and wildlife have arisen within said county; caused by severe drought conditions that are affecting the entire geographical area of Siskiyou County; and,

WHEREAS, agriculture, the timber industry, seasonal recreation and seasonal business operations are critical components of the economy of Siskiyou County, thus rendering its economy vulnerable to drought; and,

WHEREAS, Mt. Shasta Ski Park was unable to open this season due to the lack of snowpack, which has resulted in an increase in unemployment and devastating economic impacts on local businesses that rely on the ski park for their earnings.

WHEREAS, the water levels in Siskiyou County have dropped to alarming levels and the lack of measurable snow pack in the mountain areas have decreased the water flow in the county's creeks and rivers, thus leaving county reservoirs at lower than average levels and reduced ground water levels; and,

WHEREAS, the State Water Resources Control Board has sent a Notice of Curtailment of Diversion of Water to property owners within the Scott River watershed; and,

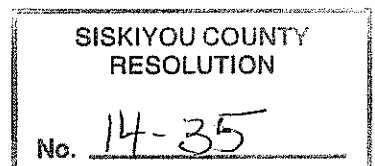
WHEREAS, dry conditions and lack of precipitation and snowpack to provide adequate summer tributary flows present urgent problems, including: drinking water supplies are at risk; fewer crops can be cultivated; heightened unemployment and economic hardship can and have occurred; animals and plants that rely on the Siskiyou Counties lakes, rivers and streams will be threatened; and the risk of catastrophic wildfire throughout the county is greatly increased; and,

WHEREAS, the rivers and streams in Siskiyou County host important salmonid populations, particularly coho, that are at great risk from the current drought; and,

WHEREAS, urgent and somewhat experimental methods requiring expedited agency support, approval and implementation may need to be employed to mitigate the threat of drought on localized salmonid population segments; and ,

WHEREAS, extremely dry conditions have persisted since 2012 and may continue beyond this year and more regularly into the future; and,

WHEREAS, it is Siskiyou County's policy that, under extreme drought conditions, domestic water needs should take precedence over all other water needs to protect public health and safety; and,



WHEREAS, local resources are, or are likely to be, inadequate to cope with the effects of this emergency, and the combined efforts of the State of California, the political subdivisions of the State of California, and the federal government are necessary to assist the County of Siskiyou in its efforts to deal with this emergency; and,

WHEREAS, these conditions are, or are likely to be, beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of Siskiyou County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Siskiyou, State of California, orders and proclaims as follows:

1. To prevent adverse environmental, economic, and social impacts, the Board declares that Siskiyou County is a disaster area and that a state of emergency exists in the county.
2. The Board declares that water for municipal and domestic needs should take precedence over all other needs under these extreme drought conditions.
3. The Board requests that the Governor of the State of California and the President of the United States provide assistance to affected farmers, ranchers, and associated businesses and all other affected citizens of Siskiyou County.
4. The Board orders that copies of this resolution be forwarded immediately to the Governor of California and the State Office of Emergency Services.
5. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Siskiyou shall review the need for continuing the state of local emergency at each regularly scheduled meeting after the date of the resolution, as required by Section 8630 of the California Government Code, but in no event shall more than twenty-one (21) days pass between meetings for purpose of reviewing the state of local emergency.

The foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Siskiyou, State of California, held on the 11th day of March, 2014 by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Kobseff, Armstrong, Bennett, Criss and Valenzuela

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ATTEST:

COLLEEN SETZER, COUNTY CLERK

By: 
Deputy


Michael N. Kobseff, Chair