



Calaveras County
Environmental Management Agency

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**JOINT PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY
BY THE COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER AND THE COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER**

WHEREAS, the California Health and Safety Code, Division 101, Part 3, Chapter 2, commencing with §101075 confers upon Local Health Officer or the Director of Environmental Health of the political subdivisions of this state emergency powers necessary to protect public health and safety;

WHEREAS, §101080 of the California Health and Safety Code, states that "the local health officer OR director may declare a local health emergency in the jurisdiction or any area thereof" affected by hazardous waste which is an imminent threat to the public health;

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Section 101080 empowers the local health officer or director to proclaim the existence of a local health emergency when this county or any area of the county is affected or likely to be affected by such a public health threat while the Board of Supervisors is not in session, which shall expire if not ratified by the Board of Supervisors within seven days and is subject to reaffirmation every 14 days thereafter until such local health emergency is terminated; and,

WHEREAS, the Environmental and Public Health Officers of the county of Calaveras do hereby find:

1. That conditions of certain hazardous waste in Calaveras County in the form of debris resulting from a fire occurring on September 09, 2015, and which involved destruction of a number of structures, poses a substantial present or potential hazard to human health and the environment unless immediately addressed and managed; and
2. That there is an imminent and proximate threat of infectious or communicable disease and/or noncommunicable biologic agent due to accumulations of perishable foods and other organic materials that normally require refrigeration but have been left to spoil due to lack of electricity, and also due to potential contamination or destruction of residential and commercial water supply in the burned areas.
3. That the Board of Supervisors of the County of Calaveras is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and
4. That the aforesaid threat to public health necessitates the proclamation of the existence of a local health emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a local health emergency is now threatened to exist in the burned area in this County due to hazardous waste in the form of debris from a recent fire and due to contamination of residential food and water supply; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED THAT that state and local agencies are in the process of finalizing a program to remove both hazardous and non-hazardous debris from residences and businesses through which the fire burned; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Health Officer and Director shall be those prescribed by state law, including the provisions of Sections 101040 and 101085 of the Health and Safety Code, and by ordinances and resolutions of this county approved by the Board of Supervisors.

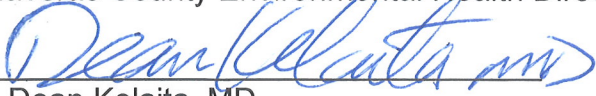
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Dr. Dean Kelaita, MD
Calaveras County Health Officer

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