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In August 2009 the Station Fire, the largest fire in the recorded history of the Angeles National Forest, burned more than 160,000 acres in the San Gabriel Mountains. The fire also destroyed several homes in the unincorporated Stonyvale community, leaving many residents homeless and their lives devastated.

The County of Los Angeles is committed to assisting residents whose homes were destroyed in the Station Fire with the permitting process. In this regard, the staff of several County departments (including Environmental Health, Fire, Public Works, and Regional Planning) has been working diligently so that support and assistance proceeds in an efficient and timely manner.

The most effective means of addressing the General Plan and zoning issues relevant to the Stonyvale community is to develop a Community Standards District (CSD). The CSD is necessary because the scope of land use and zoning issues in the Stonyvale community cannot be appropriately addressed within the framework of the existing General Plan and county-wide zoning code. Three critically important items--alternative setbacks, wall heights, and equestrian-keeping--must be explored with residents and County staff to insure that homes can be re-built.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

- Direct the Director of Regional Planning to work with residents in the Stonyvale community, surrounding community stakeholders, and coordinate with all relevant County departments (County Environmental Health, Fire, Public Works) to prepare a draft Community Standards District, including any necessary zone changes or plan amendments, if required;
- Set the matter for a public hearing before the Regional Planning Commission as soon as Regional Planning completes the necessary staff work; and
- Report back to the Board every 30 days with a status report containing Regional Planning's findings, recommendations, and actions to date.

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