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The Station, Morris, and Rancho Palos Verdes Fires caused significant damage to facilities and roads throughout the County, primarily within the Angeles National Forest. On August 28, 2009, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger declared that a State of Emergency exists within Los Angeles County, and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the County of Los Angeles proclaimed and declared that a local emergency exists within the County. At its meeting on September 1, 2009, the Board of Supervisors ratified the CEO's declaration of a local emergency.

Subsequently, on September 8, 2009, this Board adopted a Resolution authorizing Public Works to negotiate and execute emergency contracts on behalf of the County, in an amount not to exceed a total of \$25 million, to procure the necessary equipment, services, and supplies for the repairs necessary to restore access to residents and businesses and to prevent and reduce potential flooding and damage due to mudflows. Estimated damage to Public Works infrastructure to date is approximately \$5.5 million. Vital upgrades to roadway culverts and debris basins to protect the public from anticipated storm and debris flows are needed at an estimated cost of \$11.2 million. These estimates may increase if there is additional damage from debris flows associated with future rainstorms.

While damage assessment is still underway, tree removal contractors are already at work and quotations for guardrail replacement are currently being solicited. Contracts for culvert upgrades and cleanouts will be sought as soon as inspection of the 430 culvert locations is completed. Public Works also began conducting sediment removal at nine fire-impacted debris basins yesterday, with estimated completion by October 1, 2009.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors determine that there is a need to continue the emergency action and that the Executive Officer continue to place this item on the agenda for Board review every 14 days in accordance with Public Contract Code Section 22050.

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