

- TO: Mayor and Councilmembers
- **FROM:** Dan Singer, City Manager
- CONTACT: Steve Wagner, Community Services Director
- **SUBJECT:** Continuation of a Local Emergency Regarding the Flood Threat Associated with the Gap Fire Burn Area and Delegation of Emergency Purchasing Authority

RECOMMENDATION:

Review the status of the Local Emergency pursuant to Resolution No. 08-45 to determine the need for its continuation regarding the flood threat associated with the Gap Fire burn area and the need to continue the delegation of emergency purchasing authority.

BACKGROUND:

On September 2, 2008, the City Council approved Resolution No. 08-45 proclaiming a Local Emergency due to the flood threat associated with the Gap Fire burn area and delegating to the City Manager emergency purchasing authority (Attachment 1). The resolution, Government Code section 8630 and Public Contract Code section 22050 each require that the City Council review the emergency action at its next regularly scheduled meeting, and at every regularly scheduled meeting thereafter, until further action is terminated, to determine that there is a need to continue the action. The delegation of emergency purchasing authority requires a four-fifths vote for approval.

DISCUSSION:

The flood threat associated with the Gap Fire burn area still exists. The work identified in the Gap Fire Pre-Winter Storm Emergency Response Plan has started but completion is not anticipated until November. Updates on these efforts will be provided at subsequent scheduled City Council meetings.

Staff recommends that Council continue the Local Emergency for the City of Goleta pursuant to Resolution No. 08-45 due to the flood threat associated with the Gap Fire burn area. Continuation of the Local Emergency will allow for completion of the work identified in emergency response plan prior to the onset of this winter's expected storms.

ALTERNATIVES

The Council may elect not to approve the continuation of the Local Emergency as recommended. However, in doing so it would impact the City's ability to implement needed emergency response measures in a timely manner.

FISCAL IMPACTS

There are no new fiscal impacts associated with the continuation of the Local Emergency.

Submitted By:

Reviewed By:

Approved By:

Steve Wagner Community Services Director Michelle Greene Administrative Services Director Daniel Singer City Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

1. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California Proclaiming a Local Emergency to Exist in the Extreme Peril Posed by the Results of the Gap Fire and Delegating Emergency Authority to the City Manager to Procure Necessary Supplies, Equipment and Services.

Attachment 1

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California Proclaiming a Local Emergency to Exist in the Extreme Peril Posed by the Results of the Gap Fire and Delegating Emergency Authority to the City Manager to Procure Necessary Supplies, Equipment and Services.