

LETTER OF APPROVAL

TO: OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES, AND RESIDENTS OF THE OA

Preservation of life and property is an inherent responsibility of local, State, and Federal government. OA key partners developed this OAERP to ensure the most effective preparedness, response and recovery efforts for the maximum benefit and protection of the public in time of emergency.

While no plan can guarantee prevention of death and destruction, well-developed plans, carried out by knowledgeable and well-trained personnel, can minimize losses. The OAERP is a strategic and policy level document. It establishes the OA emergency organization, identifies departmental responsibilities, and specifies policies and general procedures for addressing emergencies impacting the OA. Further, this plan provides for the coordination of emergency operations plans of agencies/jurisdictions.

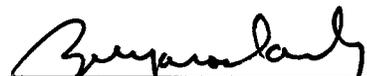
The OAERP conforms to the requirements of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the California Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS).

The objective of the OAERP is to integrate OA resources to be an efficient organization capable of responding to emergencies using NIMS, SEMS, mutual aid and other appropriate response procedures. The OAERP is an extension of the State of California Emergency Plan. The OAERP will be reviewed and exercised periodically and revised as necessary to meet changing conditions.

As the OA Coordinator, the Board of Supervisors gives its full support to the OAERP and urges all officials, employees, and residents, individually and collectively, to share in our commitment to the effective preparedness and response for emergencies and disasters.

This letter promulgates the OAERP which becomes effective upon approval by the OA Coordinator.

Signed



Zev Yaroslavsky, Chairman
County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors

Date:

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