

Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan

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**PRE/POST-EVENT AGREEMENT****MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) BETWEEN COUNTY OF ORANGE (*PROVIDING JURISDICTION*) AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE (*REQUESTING JURISDICTION*) PERTAINING TO ASSISTANCE PROVIDED UNDER THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MUTUAL AID (EMMA) PLAN**

*NOTE: Use of such an agreement does not guarantee state or federal reimbursement.*

**WHEREAS**, on Monday, August 6, 2018 at approximately 1317 hours, a fire started in the Holy Jim Canyon-Cleveland National Forest. The event was named the “Holy Fire.” The fire moved swiftly in an east/northeast direction towards Riverside County, threatening critical communications towers in Orange County, requiring mandatory evacuations and road closures including Highway 74, which affected both Counties. Incident Command established a single Joint Information Center for both Orange and Riverside Counties at the Orange County Operational Area Emergency Operations Center.

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan delineates the current state policy concerning Emergency Management Mutual Aid; and

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan describes the standard procedures used to acquire emergency management mutual aid resources and the method to ensure coordination of emergency management mutual aid planning and readiness; and

**WHEREAS**, the county emergency manager is the Operational Area Emergency Management Mutual Aid Coordinator; and

**WHEREAS**, Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan provides, in pertinent part, “When an emergency develops or appears to be developing which cannot be resolved by emergency management resources within an Operational Area, it is the responsibility of the Operational Area Mutual Aid Coordinator to provide assistance and coordination to control the problem;” and

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan provides, in pertinent part, “A request for emergency management mutual aid requires the approval of an authorized official of the requesting jurisdiction;” and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the Unified Command decision to have one public information center for the incident to be located in the County of Orange, the County Emergency Manager of the County of Riverside requested the mutual aid assistance of the County of Orange, pursuant to the Emergency Management Mutual Aid Plan to provide emergency management support in connection with Holy Fire; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Orange provided emergency management mutual aid consisting of emergency management personnel, equipment, and/or materials from August 8, 2018 through August 13, 2018 to assist with emergency management services in connection with the Holy Fire; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Orange agrees to document all of its mutual aid assistance costs related to the Holy Fire as attachments to the executed MOA and submit to the County of Riverside as soon as practicable, and

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agrees to maintain all records required under this MOA for a period of not less than seven years or until final audit has been completed;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED** by and between the County of Riverside and County of Orange that the County of Riverside shall reimburse all reasonable costs associated with Orange County emergency management mutual aid assistance during the Holy Fire.

**Providing Jurisdiction**

By \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

County: Orange

Date:

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
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Date: 12/20/18

**Requesting Jurisdiction**

By \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

County: Riverside

Date:

**DEFINITIONS**

**Authorized Official:** A person with expressed authority by a legal governing body to request resources, authorize purchases, and/or enter into contracts on behalf of a Requesting or Providing Jurisdiction during an emergency.

**EMMA Resource:** A person with a combination of training, experience and credentials that would serve in an ICS position, either in the field or an EOC, or as a technical specialist during an emergency response.

**Operational Area (OA):** An intermediate level of the state emergency services organization consisting of a county and all political subdivisions within the county area.

**Providing Agency/Jurisdiction:** The government entity providing EMMA resources. The different levels of providing jurisdictions include providing local jurisdiction, providing OA and providing region.

**Requesting Jurisdiction:** The government entity requesting EMMA resources. The different levels of requesting jurisdictions include requesting local jurisdiction, requesting OA and requesting region.