



Orange County Operational Area Executive Board

November 15, 2023

Members of the Operational Area
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 California Office of Emergency Services

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Orange County Board of Supervisors
 Chief Executive Officer
 City Engineers & Public Works Directors
 Association
 City Manager's Association & League of Cities
 Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Coordinator
 Fire Chief's Association
 Fire and Rescue Mutual Aid
 Health Care Agency Mutual Aid
 Independent Special Districts
 Orange County Social Services Agency
 Orange County Superintendent of Schools
 Orange County Community College Districts
 Orange County Transportation Authority
 Police Chiefs' and Sheriff Association
 Public Works Mutual Aid
 Water/Wastewater Mutual Aid Coordinator

Dear Operational Area Emergency Response and Recovery Officials:

Enclosed please find the County of Orange and Orange County Operational Area Unified Emergency Operations Plan (Unified EOP). The Orange County Operational Area Executive Board approved this Annex on November 8, 2023 and concur with this Plan on behalf of the Operational Area Members, respectively. This Plan is the foundation for the County's and Operational Area's response and recovery operations, and supersedes all previous versions of this Plan. The Unified EOP seeks to unify coordination among jurisdictional emergency plans, discipline-specific mutual aid plans, and standard operational procedures. The Unified EOP is the base to other emergency plans, procedures and hazard-specific and functional annexes and plans.

This Plan continues to build upon previous efforts to enhance the County's and Operational Area's response and recovery capabilities and includes: the Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS), the National Incident Management System (NIMS), the Incident Command System (ICS), Whole Community planning and response, and the duties and responsibilities of the jurisdictions within the Orange County Operational Area in preparedness, response and recovery procedures.

This Plan is designed as a reference and guidance document. During a real-world incident, modifications to this plan may be authorized through the Director of Emergency Services, the Emergency Operations Center Policy Group, the governing bodies of impacted jurisdictions, or as needed by first responders to preserve life, property, and the environment.

All jurisdictions within Orange County are encouraged to fully implement their identified responsibilities. Such execution may include preparing and maintaining their own jurisdiction-specific procedures and guidelines. The successful implementation of this Plan is dependent upon the skills and abilities of jurisdiction personnel; jurisdictions are encouraged to conduct or participate in trainings and exercises to ensure their personnel are aware of their responsibilities and capable to perform them. Implementation may also rely upon specialized services and equipment; jurisdictions are encouraged to support such services and equipment.

Thank you for your support in the development and implementation of this Plan.

Sincerely,

Orange County Fire Authority
 Chair, Operational Area Executive Board

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