Summary of Changes Made to Mendocino County Ordinance 7.04

The primary purpose of the proposed amendments to this ordinance are to provide greater clarity of roles and responsibilities of this County and other public agencies, corporations, organizations, and affected private persons responsible for preparing for and responding to emergencies in Mendocino County, and to bring the ordinance into compliance with current best practices for emergency management. Section 7.04.110 is also changed to reflect a change in state law that the Board of Supervisors must review the need for continuing the local emergency at least once every 30 days instead of 14 or 21 days. The amendments update the roles of the Director of Emergency Services, Assistant Director of Emergency Services and Emergency Services Coordinator to reflect current and best practices. Additionally, the current version of the ordinance has language regarding the e Mendocino Emergency Services Agency (MESA) agreement that existed between the Cities and County of Mendocino but is no longer in existence. The MESA sections have been removed to ensure the ordinance reflects the current OES organizational structure. Finally, names of various systems and positions have been updated.