

Comment to Resolution for Agenda Item 3a

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> 1) Since this applies also to the Declaration of a Local Health Emergency I suggest a new 4th Whereas to read:
"Whereas, wind patterns and atmospheric conditions have blanketed virtually all of Mendocino County with smoke and ash resulting in hazardous air quality, which, combined with high temperatures, makes it hazardous to human health to work or recreate outdoors; and".

> 2) Suggest move current Whereas #6 ahead of #4 & #5 since the authority ought to precede the declaration.

> 3) The first 3 Whereas sections ought to follow a common and consistent form, therefore, they could read:

> First: "Whereas, the August Complex Fire began on August 17, 2020, burned over 470,000 acres, destroyed structures, resulted in mandatory evacuations and is currently 24% contained; and";

> Second: "Whereas the Oak Fire began on September 7, 2020, burned over 860 acres, destroyed structures, resulted in mandatory evacuations and is currently 25% contained; and";

> Third: Whereas, the Hopkins Fire began on _____, 2020, burned over 15,000 acres, [structures destroyed?], [mandatory evacuations?] [containment?]; and".

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