



## Board of Storey County Commissioners Agenda Action Report

Meeting date: 3/10/2023 4:30 PM -  
BOCC Emergency Meeting

Estimate of Time Required: 1 min

Agenda Item Type: Discussion/Possible Action

- **Title:** Consideration and possible approval of the agenda for the March 10, 2023 emergency meeting.
- **Recommended motion:** Approve or amenda as necessary.
- **Prepared by:** Brandie Lopez

**Department:**                      **Contact Number:** 775-847-0968

- **Staff Summary:** See attached.
- **Supporting Materials:** See attached
- **Fiscal Impact:**
- **Legal review required:** False
- **Reviewed by:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Department Head

**Department Name:**

\_\_\_\_\_ County Manager

**Other Agency Review:** \_\_\_\_\_

- **Board Action:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved with Modification
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## Board of Storey County Commissioners Agenda Action Report

**Meeting date: 3/10/2023 4:30 PM -  
BOCC Emergency Meeting**

**Estimate of Time Required: 30 min.**

**Agenda Item Type: Discussion/Possible Action**

- **Title:** Consideration and possible approval of Resolution No. 23-672 of the Board of Storey County Commissioners declaring a state of emergency in Storey County due to unforeseen severe weather events causing sudden flooding due to snow runoff caused by atmospheric river flows across the county starting March 9, 2023, and ending March 20, 2023. The emergency declaration may provide the county access to state and federal funds and other resources which otherwise may not be available for its response to the weather emergency. This action should not cause alarm, but it should remind residents and businesses to be vigilant and to prepare for potential impacts caused by storm events.
- **Recommended motion:** I (commissioner) motion to approve Resolution No. 23-672 declaring a state of emergency in Storey County due to unforeseen severe weather events causing sudden flooding due to snow runoff caused by atmospheric river flows across the county starting March 9, 2023, and ending March 20, 2023.
- **Prepared by:** Austin Osborne

**Department:**

**Contact Number:** 775.847.0968

- **Staff Summary:** Staff Summary
- Declaring a state of emergency may provide the county access to state and federal funds and other resources which may not otherwise be available for the county's response to weather-related issues.
- This action should not cause alarm, but it should remind residents and businesses to be vigilant and to prepare for potential impacts caused by storm events.
- **Supporting Materials:** See attached
- **Fiscal Impact:** None
- **Legal review required:** TRUE
- **Reviewed by:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Department Head

**Department Name:**

\_\_\_\_\_ County Manager

**Other Agency Review:** \_\_\_\_\_

- **Board Action:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved with Modification
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## **DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Storey County has suffered a series of extreme weather events in recent months including heavy snow accumulation, and which by current weather forecasts unforeseen heavy rain at high elevations is believed to occur From March 9, 2023 through March 20, 2023, resulting in potential flooding throughout the county, especially in its lower elevation communities.

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AND WHEREAS, these weather events have resulted in damages to roadways, culverts, drainage facilities, bridges, communications facilities, county property and equipment, and to real and personal property.

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AND WHEREAS, these conditions have prompted emergency responses to protect and to preserve lives and public and private properties.

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in and around the County;

AND WHEREAS, all of these circumstances have severely taxed the County's emergency response resources, including fire, medical, road maintenance, and Sheriff personnel;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY DECLARED THAT A STATE OF EMERGENCY exists in Storey County and Storey County Emergency Management Director Michael "Mike" Bullian is authorized to take whatever actions are necessary to prevent further loss of property and injury to or loss of life as may be appropriate and available including requesting assistance from the State of Nevada.

DATED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023, at \_\_\_\_\_ hours.

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Jay Carmona, Chairman  
Storey County Board of Commissioners

**SUMMARY: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE COUNTY OF STOREY DUE TO STORM EVENTS**

**RESOLUTION 23- 672**

**WHEREAS**, Storey County is a political subdivision of the State of Nevada; and

**WHEREAS**, beginning on or about March 9, 2023, and, according to current forecasts, lasting through March 20, 2023, the unforeseen atmospheric river conditions will cause a series of storms to impact much of Northern Nevada including Storey County.

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the storm, damage was done to roadways, culverts, bridges, and real and personal property within Storey County.

**WHEREAS**, as a result, Storey County manpower and resources have been and now are stretched to their limits, and assistance to respond to the emergency may be necessary with anticipated continued atmospheric river activity to Storey County by other jurisdictions.

**WHEREAS**, the health, safety, and welfare of persons and property in Storey County were and may continue to be endangered due to the storm events and

**WHEREAS**, on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, Storey County Manager Austin Osborne and Storey County Emergency Management Director Mike Bullian requested that the Board of County Commissioners in a duly noticed open meeting of the Board declare that an emergency existed during the course of the storm events which request was unanimously approved by the Board, and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Nevada and the United States Government have manpower and resources which may be available to Storey County and its residents; now therefore,

**THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF STOREY COUNTY DO RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:**

1. That the Storey County Board of Commissioners, under and by virtue of authority vested in them by Chapters 244 and 414 of the Nevada Revised Statutes, does hereby declare that a disaster area and state of emergency exists within the County of Storey and that all local resources were used to respond to, recover from, and mitigate the effects of the emergency caused by the storm events.

2. That the Storey County Commissioners do hereby request that the Governor of the State of Nevada investigate the emergency existing in Storey County and declare that a disaster area and state of emergency exists in Storey County.

3. That the Storey County Commissioners do hereby request that the Governor of the State of Nevada provide assistance, equipment and manpower from the appropriate state agencies, including the Nevada Division of Emergency Management, the Nevada Department of Transportation and other agencies needed to address the disaster.

4. That the Storey County Commissioners do hereby request that the Governor of the State of Nevada contact the Nevada Congressional Delegation in Washington, D.C. to solicit their assistance in gaining federal aid for Storey County.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED ON \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ HOURS.**

**THOSE VOTING AYE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**THOSE VOTING NAY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ABSENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

STOREY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Jay Carmona, CHAIRMAN  
Storey County Board of Commissioners