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Board of Supervisors
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Status Report: Emergency Operations Plan Annex Development

Dear Members of the Board:

On February 6, 2001, your Board directed the Office of Emergency Services to **return today** with a report on the County's standard operating procedural plan. At that time, your Board had approved the Santa Cruz County Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan, which provides the guidelines under which the County, cities and special districts operate during a disaster or large scale **emergency** event. Appendices to this plan are the County and cities' respective standard operating procedural management plans, delineating the individual departments* roles and responsibilities for specific types of threats. The County appendices (referred to as Annexes) have been drafted and are currently being distributed for-review and comment.

Additional direction was provided by your Board at the request of the Energy Commission to address gasoline shortages during times of local emergencies, with input from the Disaster Council. At the April meeting of the Disaster Council, the draft energy annex was distributed for review and comment. Upon compilation of any comments received from the Disaster Council, this annex will be forwarded to the Energy Commission for their comments before presentation to your Board.

Another annex that is under development will **address** crisis management in the event of a national security threat. The County Operational Area's participation in the State Domestic Preparedness program is underway as of March. Staff anticipate as a result of the grant work that this particular annex will be completed by mid September.

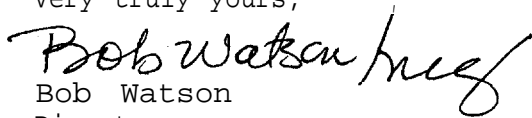
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Additionally, another ongoing planning effort which will result in a separate plan annex is a current effort headed by the Health Services Agency - Public Health Division in developing local response protocols to a pandemic influenza event. While State Department of Health Services guidance is being developed at this time, County staff have begun the necessary work for ensuring a local coordinated response among public and private health entities.

At this time, staff anticipate that the draft annexes will be presented to the Disaster council at their September meeting for review and comment. Once any further additions or revisions to the annexes are completed, then the standard operating procedural plan document will be ready for presentation to your Board.

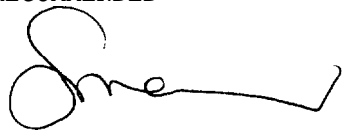
It is therefore recommended that your Board accept this status report on the development of the County's standard operating procedural plan and direct the Office of Emergency Services to return on or before October 23, 2001 with a further report.

Very truly yours,


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RECOMMENDED:



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cc: Disaster Council
Energy Commission