

RESOLUTION NO. 112-2023

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

Resolution to Authorize the Department of Agriculture and Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services to administer the El Dorado County Disaster Livestock and Agricultural Access Pass Program

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture and Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services is bringing to the Board of Supervisors the El Dorado County Disaster Livestock and Agricultural Access Pass Program

WHEREAS, under California Food and Agriculture Code section 2350 the Board of Supervisors may approve the County Agricultural Commissioner, or other designated agency, to establish a county livestock program, and other counties have expanded that program to include commercial agricultural producers; and

WHEREAS, during the Caldor and Mosquito fires access to livestock and crops was vital to maintenance of our agricultural industry and it is critical this is done in a safe and effective manner; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Agricultural Access Program is a partnership between farmers in El Dorado County and local government agencies to facilitate commercial crop and livestock access in a safe and cooperative manner before, during, and after wildfire and other emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the passes will be administered and approved through the County Agricultural Commissioner's Office and the El Dorado County Sheriffs Office of Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, to become enrolled in the program, a Commercial Agricultural Operator must complete an initial training, and must complete a refresher training annually;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the El Dorado County Disaster Agricultural Access Program and the El Dorado County Disaster Livestock Access Program as further described in the attached information packets as Exhibit A and B. The Board of Supervisors delegates to the Department of Agriculture and the Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services the authority to administer the Disaster Agricultural Access Program and to make revisions to the program as necessary to accommodate changes to the law or adjust to a particular emergency or disaster. The Board of Supervisors further delegates to the County Agricultural Commissioner to fully execute the Release of Liability, Indemnity, and Assumption of Risk Agreements in the attached Exhibits A and B and to make minor modifications to that Agreement as necessary, subject to approval by County Counsel as to form.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this authorization shall remain in affect indefinitely, unless terminated by the Board of Supervisors, through resolution.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the <u>25th</u> day of <u>July</u>, 20<u>2</u>3by the following vote of said Board:

Attest: Kim Dawson Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Ayes: Thomas, Hidahl, Parlin, Laine Noes: None Absent: Turnboo

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Chair, Board of Supervisors Wendy Thomas