

A PROCLAMATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES OF THE COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING MANDATORY EVACUATION ORDERS PURSUANT TO THE PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY ON AUGUST 28, 2020 AND CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE §8550 *et seq.*

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted by Section 1-15-1030 of the Tulare County Ordinance Code, the Tulare County Director of Emergency Services proclaimed the existence of a local emergency due to the Sequoia Complex Fire on August 28, 2020, and ordered the evacuation of the communities of Ponderosa, Cedar Slope, Piles Boys Camp, and points between; and

WHEREAS, in the August 28, 2020 proclamation, the Tulare County Director of Emergency Services also ordered the mandatory evacuation of Ponderosa and Cedar Slope; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors ratified the local emergency proclamation and evacuation orders at its Regular Meeting on September 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, when a local emergency has been proclaimed, the Director of Emergency Services is empowered to make and issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such emergency, provided that such rules and regulations are confirmed by the Board of Supervisors at the earliest practicable time; and

WHEREAS, the Sequoia Complex Fire continues to spread, presenting conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the County of Tulare; and

WHEREAS, Government Code 8634 requires that all orders necessary to protect life and property, and all amendments and rescissions to such orders, must be in writing.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Order of September 12, 2020 at 1:30PM, modifying the mandatory evacuation order issued on August 28, 2020 is hereby rescinded; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the mandatory evacuation order issued on August 28, 2020, as previously amended, is hereby amended to add the following areas:

Balch Park (County Park); Balch Park Campground; and Mountain Home State Forest

Points east of the following intersections:

1. The southern-most intersection of Balch Park Rd. / Bear Creek Rd.
2. Yokohl Valley Rd / Balch Park Rd.
3. Balch Park Rd / Upper Grouse Valley Rd.

but in all other respects, the order remains the same; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order is issued pursuant to the Emergency Services Act, commencing with Government Code §8550.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

It is so ordered and proclaimed this \_\_\_\_\_<sup>12th</sup> day of September, 2020

at 6:30 p.m.

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JASON T. BRITT, CAO  
Director of Emergency Services  
County of Tulare

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