

EMERGENCY RESOLUTION 2025-0\ DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY IN THE COUNTY OF VALENCIA FOR THE WILDFIRE DISASTER IN THE COMMUNITY OF BOSQUE FARMS

WHEREAS, the Valencia County Commission met in an Emergency Meeting on April 18, 2025 at 11:00 A.M. in the Valencia County Administration Building, 444 Luna Avenue, Los Lunas, New Mexico 87031, and via zoom; and,

WHEREAS, on the 17th day of April, 2025, a wildfire ignited and is actively burning in and around the community of Bosque Farms in Valencia County, New Mexico, threatening lives, property, agricultural resources, and critical infrastructure; and,

WHEREAS, the wildfire has resulted in hazardous air quality, forced evacuations, and placed a significant strain on local emergency response resources; and,

WHEREAS, the severity and rapid spread of the fire exceed the capabilities of local response agencies and require the support of regional, state, and federal resources to ensure public safety and effective incident management; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the New Mexico All-Hazard Emergency Management Act (NMSA 1978, § 12-10-1 et seq.), Valencia County is authorized to declare a state of emergency to activate emergency response plans and access additional assistance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER DECLARED that this declaration authorizes the use of all available county resources and activates emergency procurement procedures as necessary to protect public health and safety.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER DECLARED that Valencia County formally requests support and assistance from the New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, as well as any other appropriate agencies, to assist in response and recovery operations.

ADOPTED, RESOLVED AND DECLARED this 18th day of April, 2025, in Valencia County, New Mexico.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Attest:

Jhonathan Aragon, County Manager