

RESOLUTION NO. OC SAN 25-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT ADOPTING
THE 2025 ORANGE COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER
MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Orange County Sanitation District recognizes that the threat from natural hazards poses a risk to water and wastewater utilities and the individuals they serve, and impacts can result in regional economic and public health consequences; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Sanitation District and 14 other agencies participated in the development of the Orange County Water and Wastewater Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP) in accordance with federal laws, including the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended; the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended; and the National Dam Safety Program Act, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Water and Wastewater MJHMP identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in Orange County from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS, a Planning Team was formed to participate in the FEMA-prescribed mitigation planning process to prepare the MJHMP; and

WHEREAS, a public outreach strategy to include whole community planning was implemented by including posting information on member agency websites, email and social media distribution, community survey, and presentations at the community meetings for inclusion and opportunity to participate in the planning process by community members, community-based organizations and people with access and functional needs; and

WHEREAS, on December 3, 2024, the MJHMP was provided to the California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) Hazard Mitigation Division for review; and

WHEREAS, the MJHMP was revised based on CalOES requirements relating to the new Federal Hazard Mitigation Standards released in 2023 by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Sanitation District with the consultant made all required changes, and the plan was approved by CalOES and submittal to FEMA for review on February 14, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Sanitation District has requested FEMA to grant approval pending adoption in the event there are any required changes, and subject to the member agencies adopting resolutions approving and adopting the MJHMP once FEMA review states all requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, adoption by the Orange County Sanitation District Board of Directors demonstrates its commitment to hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the Orange County Water and Wastewater Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Board of Directors hereby adopts the 2025 Orange County Water and Wastewater Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Section 2. That while content related may require revisions to meet the plan approval requirements, changes occurring after adoption will not require the Board of Directors to re-adopt any further iterations of the plan. Subsequent plan updates following the approval period for this plan will require separate adoption resolutions.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Orange County Sanitation District's Board of Directors held July 23, 2025.

Ryan P. Gallagher
Board Chairman

ATTEST:

Kelly A. Lore, MMC
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Scott C. Smith
General Counsel

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
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COUNTY OF ORANGE) ss

I, Kelly A. Lore, Clerk of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Sanitation District, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. OC SAN 25-05 was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of said Board on the 23rd day of July 2025, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSENT:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of Orange County Sanitation District this 23rd day of July 2025.

Kelly A. Lore, MMC
Clerk of the Board of Directors
Orange County Sanitation District