

## RESOLUTION 22-\_\_\_

### DECLARING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY IN COCHISE COUNTY DUE TO MONSOON FLOODING

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 26-311, the Cochise County Board of Supervisors (Board) is authorized to declare the existence of a local emergency when Cochise County is affected, or likely to be affected, by a disaster that places people or property in peril; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 24, 2022, and August 25, 2022, the areas of Elfrida, Arizona and St. David, Arizona experienced intense rainfall and unprecedented flooding to over 40 homes due to monsoon storms; and

**WHEREAS**, severe flood impacts to local communities have occurred due to these rainfall events, including, but not limited to, road closures, damages to private property, and roadway and drainage system damages; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cochise County Emergency Management team is actively planning, responding, and coordinating resources and support for this ongoing event and subsequent recovery needs; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service is predicting that Cochise County is likely to experience more heavy rain from August 26, 2022, through August 31, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the flooding has resulted in conditions of extreme peril to the health and safety of the citizens in Cochise County; and

**WHEREAS**, by declaring a state of local emergency in Cochise County allows the County to seek reimbursement from the State of Arizona for incurred expenses by the County in dealing with the local emergency.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Board does hereby declare a State of Local Emergency in Cochise County due to the flooding caused by the monsoon storms.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 30th day of August 2022.

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Ann English, Chair  
Cochise County Board of Supervisors

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Tim Mattix  
Clerk of the Board

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Christine J. Roberts  
Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney