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Lake County Declares Local Emergency Following Boyles Fire

Lake County, CA (September 11, 2024) -- In response to the devastating impacts of the Boyles Fire, which ignited on September 8, 2024, near Boyles Avenue and 8th Avenue in the City of Clearlake, Sheriff Howe has declared a local emergency. While the City of Clearlake bore the brunt of the fire's destruction, including the loss of approximately 30 homes and the evacuation of over 4,000 residents, the fire's effects were felt beyond the city's borders.

Infrastructure damage resulting from the fire has caused widespread power outages, affecting areas in unincorporated Lake County as well.

Lake County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services express their deepest concern for all those affected, especially the families who have lost their homes. The County stands in solidarity with the City of Clearlake, having already deployed emergency management resources and personnel, including sheltering, law enforcement, building officials and environmental health services to assist in the response. Recovery efforts are underway, and the County remains committed to working closely with the City, state, and other partners to support those in need during this challenging time.

Community Helping Community

The Lake County Community Foundation (LCCF) established the Lake County Comes Together Emergent Needs Fund to provide swift assistance in response to emergencies such as the Boyles Fire. For information visit <https://www.lakeccf.org/>.

The Lake Area Rotary Clubs Association (LARCA) Emergency Relief Fund is accepting donations for Boyles Fire victims. For information visit <https://www.larca5130.org>.

Residents Impacted by the Boyles Fire

Further information for residents is available at <https://Ready.LakeCountyCa.gov> including a link to the City's Boyles Fire Information and Resources and a "Recovery" tab that includes a comprehensive list of recovery resources compiled by the Department of Social Services.

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