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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA



A PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2003, a State of Emergency was proclaimed to address the extreme peril to people, property and the environment within the Counties of Riverside, San Bernardino and San Diego because of the fire danger caused by the extraordinary number of dead, dying and diseased trees resulting from prolonged drought conditions and the infestation by bark beetles and other decay organisms; and

WHEREAS, areas of Los Angeles County are also under a similar threat of imminent wildfires because of the dead and dying vegetation in certain forested areas; and

WHEREAS, state agencies, local governments and the private sector must take immediate action to ensure that adequate measures are taken to reduce the fire risk in that county; and

WHEREAS, I have been requested by the chairman of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the supervisor representing the impacted area to proclaim a State of Emergency to facilitate the mitigation of the fire danger in that county.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the Emergency Services Act, and in particular, sections 8625 and 8558(b) of the Government Code, I HEREBY PROCLAIM A STATE OF EMERGENCY to exist within Los Angeles County.

Pursuant to this Proclamation, I extend the directions, orders and authorities of the March 7, 2003 Proclamation of a State of Emergency to include affected areas of Los Angeles County.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this Proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given to this Proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 6th day of January, 2005.

Arnold Schwarzenegger
ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER
Governor of California



ATTEST:
Kevin Shelley
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