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**Butte County Signs Proclamation of Local Emergency Caused by Several Recent Storms**

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Oroville, CA – A Local Emergency caused by recent storms starting in November 2018, through February 2019 has been proclaimed for Butte County. The proclamation was executed by the County Chief Administrative Officer, Shari McCracken and the Board of Supervisors will consider an item at an upcoming Special Meeting to ratify the proclamation. The County executed the proclamation in response to substantial damage caused to County roads from heavy rain and flooding, as well as heavy winds which caused downed trees.

Proclaiming a Local Emergency due to the recent storms allows the County to access more resources to better assist with costs to fix local roads and assist residents affected by rising water levels and flooding. The full level of assistance for County roads and local residents still remains to be determined. For now, the County is focused on assessing the damage to County roads, such as the lane erosion on Centerville Road. The County is also assessing damages to local residents whose properties were flooded during the recent storms.