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March 4, 2025

Resolution 2025-01 - Disaster Emergency Declaration

Resolution Summary:

This is a formal resolution by the City of Albion, Idaho, declaring a local disaster emergency due to severe flooding. The declaration cites Idaho legal codes that authorize the mayor and city council to issue such an emergency order. It details the causes of the disaster, including heavy snowstorms, rainstorms, rising temperatures, and melting snow pack, which have led to severe damage to infrastructure, property, and potential threats to life.

The resolution activates local and intergovernmental disaster emergency plans, allows for emergency expenditures without formal bidding procedures, and seeks state assistance to supplement local efforts in managing the crisis. The declaration is set to remain in effect until terminated by the city council has been filed with the Cassia County Recorder's Office and publicized promptly.



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BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF ALBION, IDAHO

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBION, IDAHO MAKING A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY DECLARATION, AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 46-1011 allows the Mayor of a city to declare a local disaster emergency which may be continued or renewed for a period in excess of seven (7) days by and with the consent of the governing board (City Council) of the political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 46-1002(2) defines "disaster" as the "imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting from any natural or manmade cause, including but not limited to ... flood"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albion has been impacted with the actual widespread and severe damage to structures and public and private infrastructure, injury, loss of life and property which have resulted from flooding and the continued threat of flooding that have been brought on by heavy snowstorms, rainstorms, then rising temperatures and melting snow pack in the Albion Valley, and all of which constitutes a "disaster"; and

WHEREAS, a declaration activates the response and recovery aspects of applicable local or intergovernmental disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance thereunder; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 46-1002(3) provides that an "emergency" includes the imminent threat to life or property which requires state emergency assistance to supplement local efforts to save lives and protect property or to avert or lessen the threat of a disaster; and

WHEREAS, the emergency referenced herein exists because of existing snowpack in the surrounding watershed, continued high stream flows, warming temperatures, along with standing water that has no place to flow and dissipate safely, which has harmed or continues to threaten harm to life, health and property of the residents in the City of Albion, Idaho, as well as both private and public infrastructure and requires state emergency assistance to supplement local efforts to protect life, health and property; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Albion, in Cassia County, Idaho on the 4th day of March, 2025, an agenda action item was to consider a disaster emergency declaration regarding ongoing flooding and threat of flooding within, and in surrounding areas that impact, the municipal boundaries of the City of Albion; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 67-2808 authorizes the Council of the City of Albion to declare an emergency and that the public interest and necessity may demand the immediate expenditure of public money without compliance with formal bidding procedures; and

WHEREAS, an emergency declaration must "be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the local county recorder";

NOW THEREFORE, the Mayor of the City of Albion does hereby declare, and the City Council of the City of Albion does hereby consent, as follows:

1. That a Local Disaster Emergency exists and that all efforts will be made to protect the citizens and the property of, and within, the City of Albion through activation of all local

disaster emergency plans and state emergency assistance; and

2. That this Local Disaster Emergency, having been duly considered by the Council, and

being entered into after due deliberation and consent of the Council, is effective upon

execution and date shown hereinbelow, and shall continue in full force and effect until

terminated by action of the Council; and

3. That the City and/or taxing entities within the City may need to make immediate

expenditures, which are necessary to safeguard life, health, or property and that

pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-2808, such expenditures may be made without

compliance with the competitive bidding statutes of Chapter 28, Title 67, Idaho Code;

and

4. That this Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency ("Declaration") shall be promptly filed

with the Cassia County Recorder's Office; and

5. That prompt and general publicity shall be given notifying the public of this Declaration.

Declared this <u>4</u> day of March, 2025.

Passed by the Albion City Council this 4 day of March, 2025, by the following vote:

Kevin Lloyd For ✓ Against Dallan Doc Carlson For ✓ Against

Wayne Winder For ✓ Against____ Tyson Tolman For ✓ Against____

Approved by the Mayor on the <u>4</u> day of March, 2025.

CITY OF ALBION, IDAHO

ATTEST:

inda Hutchison, City Clerk

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