

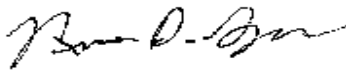
# City of Calistoga

## Staff Report

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council Members  
**FROM:** Michael Kirn, Public Works Director/City Engineer  
**DATE:** September 16, 2014  
**SUBJECT:** Consideration of a Resolution Approving the California Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network WARN 2007 Omnibus Mutual Assistance Agreement for Water and Wastewater Utilities Emergencies

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APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:




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Richard Spitler, City Manager

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1 **ISSUE:** Consideration of a Resolution approving the California  
 2 Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network WARN 2007 Omnibus Mutual  
 3 Assistance Agreement (CalWARN) for water and wastewater utilities  
 4 emergencies.  
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6 **RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt the Resolution.  
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8 **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:** Recognizing that emergencies may require  
 9 assistance in the form of personnel, equipment, and supplies from outside the  
 10 area of impact, an intrastate program for mutual aid and assistance has been  
 11 established. Through this mutual aid and assistance program, members  
 12 coordinate response activities and share resources during emergencies on an as  
 13 requested and as available basis. The attached agreement sets forth the  
 14 procedures and standards for the administration of the Intrastate Mutual Aid and  
 15 Assistance Program and is available to all water and wastewater utilities, public  
 16 and private, in the State of California.  
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18 Although the City of Calistoga participates in the County-wide Mutual Aid  
 19 Agreement, the CalWARN agreement would allow participation with other cities  
 20 outside Napa County.  
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22 As members of the CalWARN agreement, the City may request mutual aid and  
23 assistance from a participating member. Members are not obligated to respond  
24 to a request for aid, however, they are required to notify the requesting member  
25 as to whether they will respond with aid. If the City should respond with aid to  
26 another entity, that aid may be withdrawn at any time for any reason.

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28 Membership in the agreement requires giving emergency contact information and  
29 information related to the types of equipment that could be available.

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31 Costs related to mutual aid assistance are reimbursable from the entity  
32 requesting the personnel and/or equipment services. Accurate and complete  
33 records must be kept by the responding member and the requesting member will  
34 have access to review the responding members' records prior to payment of any  
35 invoices.

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37 Given the significant amount of water and wastewater infrastructure damage  
38 sustained from the recent 6.0 earthquake in Napa, staff recommends that the  
39 City of Calistoga enroll in the California Water/Wastewater Agency Response  
40 Network WARN 2007 Omnibus Mutual Assistance Agreement.

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42 **CONSISTENCY WITH CITY COUNCIL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:** This  
43 project is consistent with Goal No. 3, Establish, improve and maintain City  
44 infrastructure; and Objective No. 1, maintain the high level of service and  
45 reliability of the City's infrastructure systems and facilities.

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47 **FISCAL IMPACT:** There is no fiscal impact related to enrolling in the CalWARN  
48 program. Any costs incurred as a result of a mutual aid request will be  
49 reimbursed by the requesting entity. If Calistoga requests mutual aid we will be  
50 responsible for reimbursing the assisting entity.

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52 **ATTACHMENTS:**  
53 1. Resolution  
54 2. CalWARN Agreement

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014 - XXX**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA, COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE CALIFORNIA WATER/WASTEWATER AGENCY RESPONSE NETWORK WARN 2007 OMNIBUS MUTUAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT**

**AGREEMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**WHEREAS**, recognizing that emergencies may require assistance in the form of personnel, equipment, and supplies from outside the area of impact, an intrastate program for mutual aid and assistance has been established (CalWARN); and

**WHEREAS**, through this mutual aid and assistance program, members coordinate response activities and share resources during emergencies on an as requested basis, but are not obligated to provide resources; and

**WHEREAS**, participation in the CalWARN agreement would allow the City to receive and give assistance to cities outside of the Napa County; and

**WHEREAS**, costs related to mutual aid assistance are reimbursable from the entity requesting the aid; and

**WHEREAS**, considering the number of broken water mains, etc. as a result of the 6.0 earthquake in Napa on August 24, 2014, staff recommends participation in the California Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network WARN 2007 Omnibus Mutual Assistance Agreement (attached).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the City Council hereby finds:

1. Mutual aid assistance with cities outside the Napa County region would be a benefit to the City of Calistoga in the event of an emergency similar to the 6.0 earthquake in the City of Napa on August 24, 2014.
2. The CalWARN mutual aid agreement would be of specific benefit for water and wastewater utility damages in the event of an emergency.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the California Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network WARN 2007 Omnibus Mutual Assistance Agreement is hereby approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Calistoga hereby authorizes the Mayor of the City of Calistoga to execute, on behalf of the City, the California Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network WARN 2007 Omnibus Mutual Assistance Agreement, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Calistoga at a regular meeting held this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September 2014, by the following vote:

**AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:**

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**CHRIS CANNING, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**KATHY FLAMSON, Deputy City Clerk**