

RESOLUTION # 20 - 03 - 19

**MCCONE COUNTY DISASTER DECLARATION RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the McCone County Commissioners are empowered by Section 7-5-2101 MCA, under such limitations and restrictions as are prescribed by law, to manage the business and concerns of McCone County, Montana, in such a manner and to such an extent as the Commission determines to be in the County's best interest;

WHEREAS, the McCone County Commission pursuant to Section 10-3-402, MCA, may issue a disaster declaration by resolution whenever the principal executive officer determines a disaster is occurring or has occurred. A disaster declaration may be terminated when the principal executive officer determines that the disaster conditions no longer exist.

WHEREAS, there is a pandemic outbreak of Coronavirus virus (COVID-19); and on March 13, 2020 President Trump declared an ongoing emergency because of COVID-19 and on March 12, 2020 Governor Bullock declared a state of emergency in Montana related to COVID-19 and with at least 12 presumptive COVID-19 cases in Montana the Governor of the State of Montana has declared a state of emergency in Montana regarding the onset and spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus;

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Secretary has declared a public Health Emergency for the United States. The McCone County Commission has determined that it is of the utmost importance to protect our citizens within the entire County of McCone, Montana from the spread of this disease by the following guidance of the Centers of Disease Control.

WHEREAS, by declaring a disaster declaration, the McCone County Commission shall activate applicable parts of the local or interjurisdictional disaster and emergency plan and program and authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance in accordance with such plans and programs. When more information is available, the governing body shall estimate expenditures and could levy additional emergency millage necessary to cover expenditures. The health, safety and welfare of all the residents in McCone County is of prime importance

WHEREAS, McCone County has committed all available resources to mitigating the impact of COVID-19 on McCone County residents, and taken all possible action to combat and to alleviate the situation and local resources will not be adequate to cope with the situation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the McCone County Commission hereby declares a Disaster as defined in Section 10-3-103 MCA, until further resolution of the McCone County Commission. All provisions of the McCone County Emergency Operations Plan are in full effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be filed with the County Clerk and Recorder, County, and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena.

DATED this 19th day of March, 2020.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
McCONE COUNTY, MONTANA**

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