



**VALENCIA COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION № 2015- 13

**ADOPTING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) AS THE BASIS FOR ALL
INCIDENT MANAGEMENT WITHIN THE VALENCIA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners met in a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the Valencia County Administration Building 444 Luna Avenue, Los Lunas, New Mexico 87031; and,

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 3-18-1 (1972) provides that municipalities, and also counties pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 4-37-1 (1995), have the power to “protect generally the property of its municipality and its inhabitants” and to “preserve peace and order”; and

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 12-10-5 (2007) provides that “[t]he governing bodies of the political subdivisions of the state are responsible for the all hazard emergency management of their respective jurisdictions. Each political subdivision is authorized to establish, by ordinance or resolution, a local office of emergency management as an agency of the local government and responsible to the governing body, in accordance with the state emergency operations plan and program. Every local coordinator of emergency management shall be appointed by the governing body, subject to the approval of the state director of homeland security and emergency management, and the local coordinator shall have direct responsibility for carrying out the all hazard emergency management program of the political subdivision [] Each local organization shall perform emergency management functions within the territorial limits of the political subdivision within which it is organized.”

WHEREAS, Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD-5), directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), initially published in March 2004 and then revised in December 2008; and,

WHEREAS, State of New Mexico Office of the Governor, Executive Order 2005-0014, designation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the basis for all incident management in the State of New Mexico; and,

WHEREAS, the NIMS provides a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, Local, and Tribal governments, the private sector, and non-governmental organizations (NGO) to work together to prepare for, respond to, recover from, and mitigate domestic incidents, emergencies, and disasters regardless of cause, size, or complexity; and,

WHEREAS, the NIMS provides the most efficient and effective incident management, standardized terminology, standard organizational structures, interoperable communications, consolidated action plans, unified command structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training, and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies and-or disasters; and,

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures have been included in the Valencia County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan adopted by Resolution 2015-____, which incorporated managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources; and,

WHEREAS, Presidential Policy Directive (PPD-8) requires the Federal Department of Homeland Security to coordinate with local governments to facilitate an integrated capabilities-based approach to preparedness, which includes a planning framework for prevention, protection, response, recovery, and mitigation with a common terminology and approach using NIMS.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Valencia County hereby adopts the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities, and resources to facilitate an effective and efficient capabilities-based approach to preparedness, which includes prevention, protection, response, recovery, and mitigation.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 4th day of February, 2015.

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