

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BLACKHAWK  
GEOLOGIC HAZARD ABATEMENT DISTRICT**

Adopted this Resolution on June 23, 2026, by the following vote:

**AYES:** 5 Diane Burgis, Ken Carlson, Candace Andersen, Shanelle Scales-Preston, John Gioia

**NOES:** /

**ABSENT:** /

**ABSTAIN:** /

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026/01 (BLACKHAWK GHAD)**

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**SUBJECT:** Adopting Resolution No. 2026/01 reaffirming the authorization of the GHAD General Manager and GHAD Legal Counsel to work with the California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) for purposes of obtaining federal financial assistance for the performance of disaster services.

**WHEREAS**, on April 22, 1986, the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 86/210 approving the formation of the Blackhawk Geologic Hazard Abatement District (“GHAD”) and appointed itself to serve as the GHAD Board of Directors.

**WHEREAS**, in the winter of 2022/2023 severe storms occurred throughout California and greatly impacted the GHAD resulting in geologic hazards that threatened public health and safety; President Joseph R. Biden, Jr and Governor Gavin Newsom declared emergencies in response to these storms.

**WHEREAS**, as required by the GHAD’s Plan of Control, the GHAD Manager performed emergency services required by the storms and these services will continue to be performed until the damage is mitigated, resolved and/or addressed.

**WHEREAS**, as a public entity under the GHAD Laws (Pub Res Code Sect 26500 et seq.), the GHAD desired to seek federal financial assistance through Cal OES for the performance of services as a result of disasters that has occurred from the winter 2022/2023 items.

**WHEREAS**, on March 7, 2023 the GHAD Board unanimously approved Resolution 2023/01, authorizing the GHAD Manager and Legal Counsel to work with Cal OES to seek federal financial assistance for costs related to the winter 2022/2023 storms. Cal OES requires this Resolution to be updated every three years.

**WHEREAS**, following adoption of Resolution No. 2023/01, the GHAD pursued disaster assistance through Cal OES and FEMA, submitted multiple claims for eligible work, and

received reimbursement in the amount of \$183,327.43 for initial debris removal, while additional claims and requests for assistance remained pending and/or disputed.

**WHEREAS**, thereafter, FEMA issued a determination denying additional requested funding, the GHAD timely pursued an appeal of that determination, and Cal OES provided support for the GHAD's continued request for federal financial assistance.

**WHEREAS**, on February 24, 2026, the Civilian Board of Contract Appeals determined that the GHAD had established legal authority to perform work on affected private property and returned the matter to FEMA for further review of the GHAD's request for public assistance funding, thereby confirming that the GHAD's efforts to obtain federal financial assistance remain active and ongoing.

**WHEREAS**, in order to continue to seek federal assistance, the GHAD Board is required to reauthorize certain GHAD Officers to work with Cal OES; attached to Resolution No, 2026/01 as Exhibit A is the Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies (Designation Resolution) authorizing the GHAD General Manager and the GHAD Legal Counsel to continue to seek federal assistance.

**The Board of Directors of the GHAD HEREBY RESOLVES THAT:**

1. The GHAD Board hereby adopts Resolution No. 2026/01 authorizing the GHAD General Manager and GHAD Legal Counsel to continue to work with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) for purposes of obtaining federal financial assistance for the performance of disaster services that pose a threat to the public health and safety.
2. The GHAD Board directs the GHAD Clerk to immediately execute the Designation Resolution on behalf of the GHAD Board and file it with Cal OES in order to seek financial assistance.
3. The recitals are incorporated herein by this reference.

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

Exhibit A - Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies



I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: June 23, 2026  
Monica Nino, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
& County Administrator

By: Arielle Miles  
Arielle Miles, Deputy Clerk