

RESOLUTION NO. 06-59

**A RESOLUTION OF THE RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING
THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AS THE CITY'S
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT RESPONSE PROTOCOL**

Whereas, In Homeland Security Directive-5, the President of the United States directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System, which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, local and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity; and

Whereas, to facilitate efficient and effective incident management, it is critical that Federal, State, local and tribal organizations utilize standardized terminology and 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 or disasters; and

Whereas, The National Incident Management System standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will allow the Kern County Operational Area jurisdiction to use State and Federal funding to enhance local readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes; and

Whereas, The City of Ridgecrest has adopted the Standardized Emergency Management System; and

Whereas, The Standardized Emergency Management System substantially meets the objectives of the National Incident Management System.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the City of Ridgecrest will henceforth use the National Incident Management System as it is used by the State of California which integrates the National Incident Management System and the Standardized Emergency Management System NIMS.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of August, 2006, by the following vote.

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Martin, Council Members Clark and Carter

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mayor Holloway and Council Member Morgan


Richard A. Martin, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:


Rita Gable
City Clerk