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Board Summary Report

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To: Board of County Commissioners

Through: Tyler S. Brown, Sheriff

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Subject:

3:30 PM *2025 Arapahoe County Emergency Operations Plan

Purpose and Request:

Request the Board of County Commissioners to authorize the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners to sign the 2025 Emergency Operations Plan (EOP).

Background and Discussion: The EOP is required of county governments by Colorado Disaster Emergency Act, Amended in 2018. The EOP is a three-year document and is required by Statute. The Board last adopted the EOP in 2022. The plan itself is organized as a base plan document and additional annexes called Emergency Support Functions (ESFs). These ESFs are foundational to the plan and define how the County and partner entities will interact, coordinate, and respond during a disaster. The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) reviewed all these components during this revision cycle to include coordination and outreach with plan stakeholders. The overall content and structure is like years past with language updates based on county demographic changes, regional operational coordination efforts, and agency responsibility shifts. Major changes appear in the ESFs to improve usability for practitioners during an activation. In accordance with plan implementation, the OEM will review the plan annually to account for minor or major modifications within the three-year cycle.

Fiscal Impact: Not approving an updated EOP may result in Arapahoe County being ineligible for disaster assistance from the State and Federal governments. In addition, the OEM will not be able to seek annual

Emergency Management Program Grant funds as they become available.

Alternatives: The BOCC could not approve and sign the updated EOP which would cause the county to fall out of compliance with statute.

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- ☒ Be fiscally sustainable
- ☒ Provide essential and mandated service
- ☒ Be community focused

Concurrence: Tyler S. Brown, Sheriff; and all stakeholders listed in ESFs.