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Alyce O. Klussman, Foreperson  
Ventura County Grand Jury  
800 South Victoria Avenue, L#3751  
Ventura, CA 93009

VENTURA COUNTY  
GRAND JURY

Dear Ms. Klussman:

In response to the Ventura County Grand Jury report titled, "Ventura County Disaster Evacuation Plan" the City of Fillmore submits the following response.

**Recommendations**

**R-01.** VC OES and the VCDC should work with the ten cities in the County to facilitate development of coordinated and integrated emergency evacuation plans for each of these communities. These plans should include how the public and emergency service providers are to be informed of an alert and what their responses should be. These local plans need to recognize that the VC OES is the chief disaster coordinator in the County; the plans need to be readily available to the public.

*City Response: The City concurs with the Grand Jury's recommendation. The City currently works with VC OES and VCDC to ensure that the City's disaster plans are up-to-date and available to the public.*

**R-06.** Any evacuation plans developed by VC OES and the Cities or special districts in Ventura County should be publicized and widely distributed. A user-friendly brochure detailing preparedness actions and evacuation routes should be developed for distribution to all residents in the County. As maps and plans are updated, the changes should be similarly publicized.

*City Response: The City concurs with the Grand Jury's recommendation. The City's disaster plan is available on-line at [www.fillmoreca.com](http://www.fillmoreca.com), at City Hall and the Fillmore Library. The City's fire department updates the plans annually in close coordination with the County to ensure that all plans meet or exceed*

*State and Federal requirements. Any updates/changes to the plan would be made by the City's fire department in conjunction with the County and placed on the City's website, City Hall and library.*

Please feel free to contact me anytime should you have questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas R. Ristau". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "T" and "R".

Thomas R. Ristau  
City Manager

Cc: Honorable Colleen Toy White, Presiding Judge