

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY PURCHASE PURSUANT TO SANTA

BARBARA MUNICIPAL CODE § 4.52.080

I, Christopher Hastert, Airport Director, declare the following:

Emergency services are required from OST Cranes to support clearing and dredging operations within Los Carneros Creek in response to the Winter 2025 storm events at the Santa Barbara Airport. The work includes providing and operating large crane equipment necessary to safely access the creek channel, remove accumulated sediment and debris, reposition heavy material, and support dredging operations in areas that are inaccessible to conventional excavation equipment due to creek geometry, saturated soils, and proximity to critical airport infrastructure.

OST Cranes' services are required to lift, maneuver, and place dredged material and debris in designated staging areas, as well as to support other contractors' equipment during creek clearing activities. These services are essential to restoring hydraulic capacity within the creek channel and reducing the immediate risk of flooding, erosion, and damage to airport facilities, utilities, and airfield operations.

The total not-to-exceed amount for these emergency crane services is \$100,700.00, based on weekday-only operations for an anticipated fifteen (15) working days.

This declaration is made pursuant to Santa Barbara Municipal Code Section 4.52.080, which requires a written declaration by the Department Head identifying the need for an emergency purchase.

Mike Hooten, Project Engineer I (Public Works), is coordinating this emergency work effort in partnership with the County of Santa Barbara, which already has contractors mobilized upstream. Immediate authorization of crane services is required to allow continuity of work into the Airport's area of responsibility without interruption.

Delaying this work to follow standard procurement procedures would significantly increase the risk of creek blockage, localized flooding, and impacts to airport safety and operations during ongoing winter storm conditions. Therefore, an emergency purchase is necessary.

The work will be funded by Airport Operating Funds budgeted for the current Fiscal Year.

 *Delegated authority 1/14/2026*

Signature