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HAGMAN THANKS BLUE CUT FIREFIGHTERS AND SUPPORT PERSONNEL

San Bernardino County Supervisor Curt Hagman today extended his appreciation to San Bernardino County firefighters on a job well done in containing the destructive Blue Cut fire in the Cajon Pass and parts of the high desert. "Fire agencies came together with great speed and our firefighters showed tremendous courage in battling this fast moving and dangerous fire", said Hagman. "Thanks are also in order to the hundreds of county Sheriff, probation, and other support personnel who provided disaster services to evacuees and their pets." He added, "County staff continues to be available for help with disaster assistance and insurance claims and I encourage all affected residents who need help to call us today at 1-877-410-8829."

Staff from San Bernardino County's Transitional Assistance Department's Customer Service Center will refer callers to resources. Information will be available in multiple languages, Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., until Sept. 2. After Sept. 2, residents can call 2-1-1.

Those who call will be able to access some of the same resources that have been available to them since last week. On Aug. 18, San Bernardino County, in coordination with the American Red Cross, activated the County's Mass Care and Shelter Plan and opened the Shelter Operations Compound to serve county residents impacted by the Blue Cut Fire. The County opened the Local Assistance Center at the fairgrounds on Aug. 19 to provide a one-stop location for services including disaster assistance, property information, and insurance claims.

Throughout the course of the fire, evacuees were provided with food, shelter, health care and animal care to residents displaced by the fire. Cots, food, showers and restrooms were also available. These centers have now closed with containment of the fire, but services are still available through the County's Customer Service Center. The County was prepared to provide support to care for 6,000 residents.

Supervisor Hagman is a long time business man and community leader in San Bernardino County. He was elected to the Chino Hills City Council in 2004 and served as Mayor in 2008. In November 2008, Curt was elected to represent the 55th Assembly District in the State Legislature, and reelected overwhelmingly in 2010 and 2012. In 2014, citizens of the Fourth Supervisorial District elected him to the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors.

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