

RESOLUTION NO. 24-95

**RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR
BREE BELYEA, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH, MAY 2024**

WHEREAS, Bree Belyea exemplifies the County's organizational values of Accountability, Customer Focus, Equity & Inclusion, Innovation, Trust, and Ethics; and

WHEREAS, Bree Belyea models the transformative behaviors of Collaborative Problem Solving, Alignment with the County's Vision, Risk Taking, Data-Driven Decision Making, and Strategic Thinking; and

WHEREAS, Bree Belyea has served above and beyond the calls of duty, managing her standard workload with grace and sophistication; while also serving as a disaster service worker in response to the major storm emergencies in 2023 and 2024. She managed complex and expeditious emergency operations at Goleta Beach throughout winter and spring 2024 to ensure that Public Work Dept's response was conducted safely, efficiently, and in compliance with a high level of regulatory and public oversight; she remained dedicated and available for extended hours and weekends to achieve success with minimal supervision while other disaster workers were deployed elsewhere and often unavailable; and

WHEREAS, Bree Belyea has identified the need within Public Works Dept for an accredited Pest Control Advisor, and self-started to pursue classes, exams, and licensure for this role, ensuring a seamless transition as previous license-holders were nearing retirement; and the Public Works Dept now has a fully licensed representative serving this role on-staff, adding to the Department's credentials and accountability; and

WHEREAS, Bree Belyea has grown into her role as a Senior member of the Flood Control District Environmental Team, being available to train and mentor new staff members and an SBCC student intern; Bree has taken the initiative to improve processes, modernize habitual workflows, and raised the level of quality work for all within her range.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors recognizes Bree Belyea as the employee of the month for May 2024.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 7th day of May 2024 by the unanimous vote of the members present