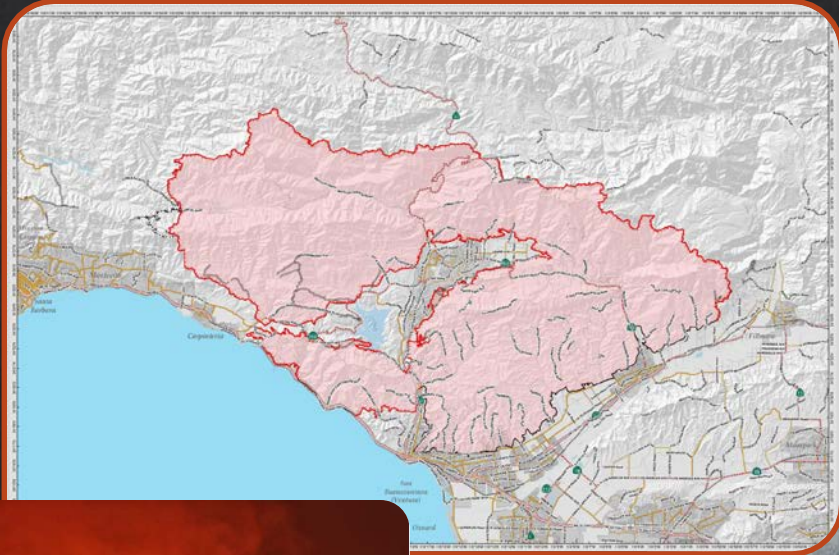


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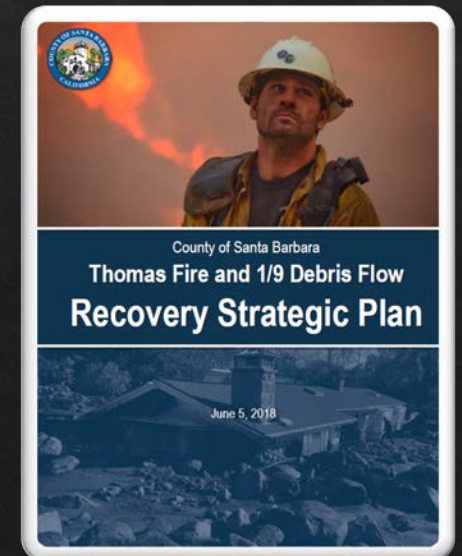
Thomas Fire and Montecito Debris Flow



Recovery and Rebuilding Goals

◆ Main Recovery Objectives

- ◆ Return residents and open businesses as soon as is safely possible;
- ◆ Support the repair and rebuild of homes, businesses, and residents' livelihoods as soon as possible; and
- ◆ Develop resiliency throughout the community through disaster preparedness, mitigation and improvements, and social and individual resiliency.



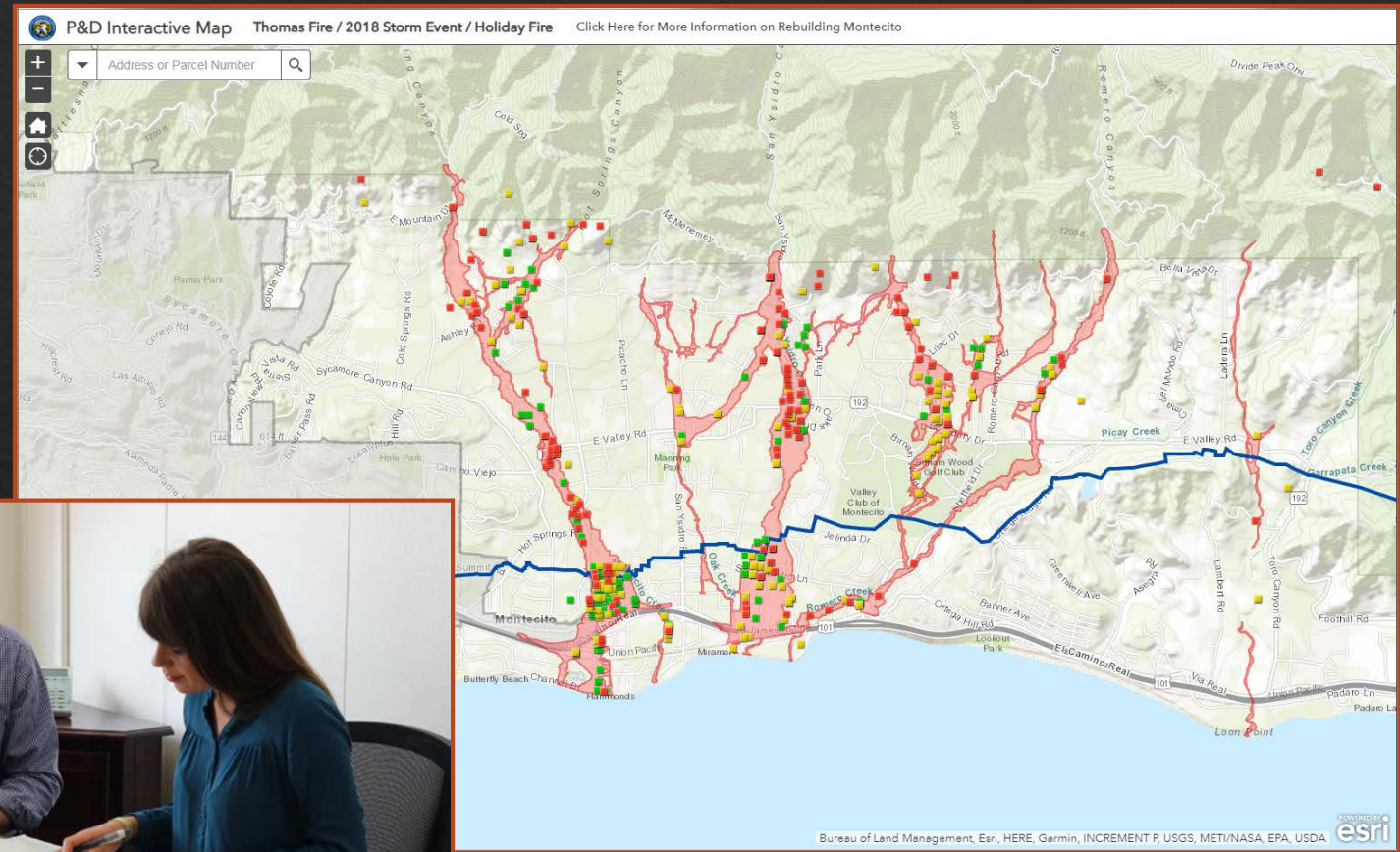
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- ◆ Inspections of property and assessment of property damage and safety of structures

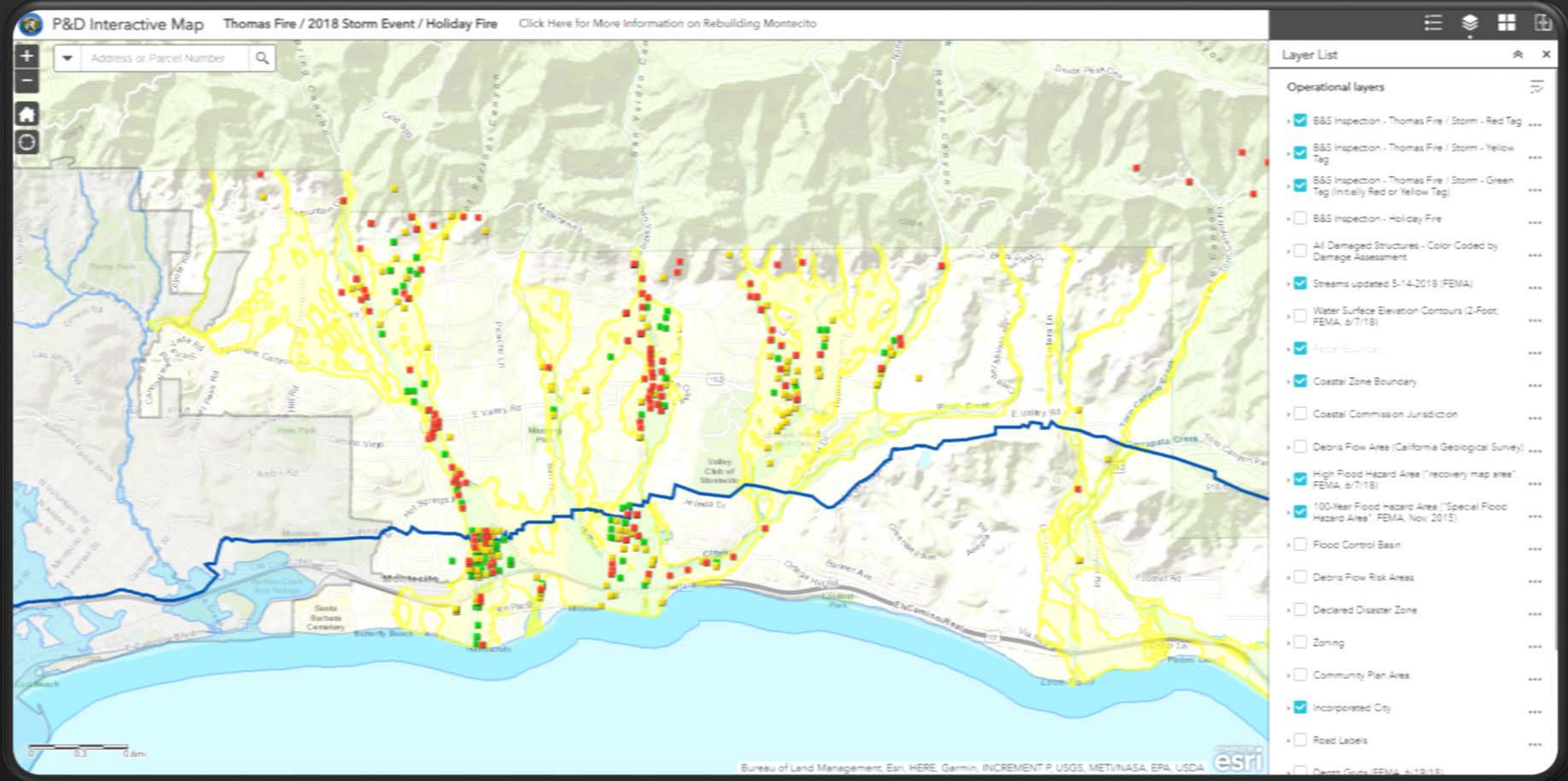


Approach to Rebuilding Efforts

- ◆ Assigned Case Managers
- ◆ Developed Electronic Case File System
 - ◆ Safety Assessment
 - ◆ Citizen Access Portal
 - ◆ Permit History
 - ◆ Digital Archives
 - ◆ Property Information
 - ◆ Digital Parcel Pages
- ◆ Interactive Map
- ◆ Coordination with Flood Control
- ◆ Expedited permit process



Interactive Map



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Red Tag

Inspection Case 18ATC-00066

Address 204

Street Name OLIVE MILL

Parcel (APN) 009640004

Occupancy Dwelling

Other Description

Damage 60-100%

Initial Posting Unsafe (red placard)

Current Posting Unsafe (red placard)

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Other Description

Damage 60-100%

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Planning Case 18DIS-00324

Case Manager K. McCarthy

Case Mgr Email Kheaton@co.santa-barbara.ca.us

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Permit History Summary
Online Access to Information –
Citizen Access Portal
Online Access to Permit Records
– Digital Archives
– Electronic Assessor Parcel
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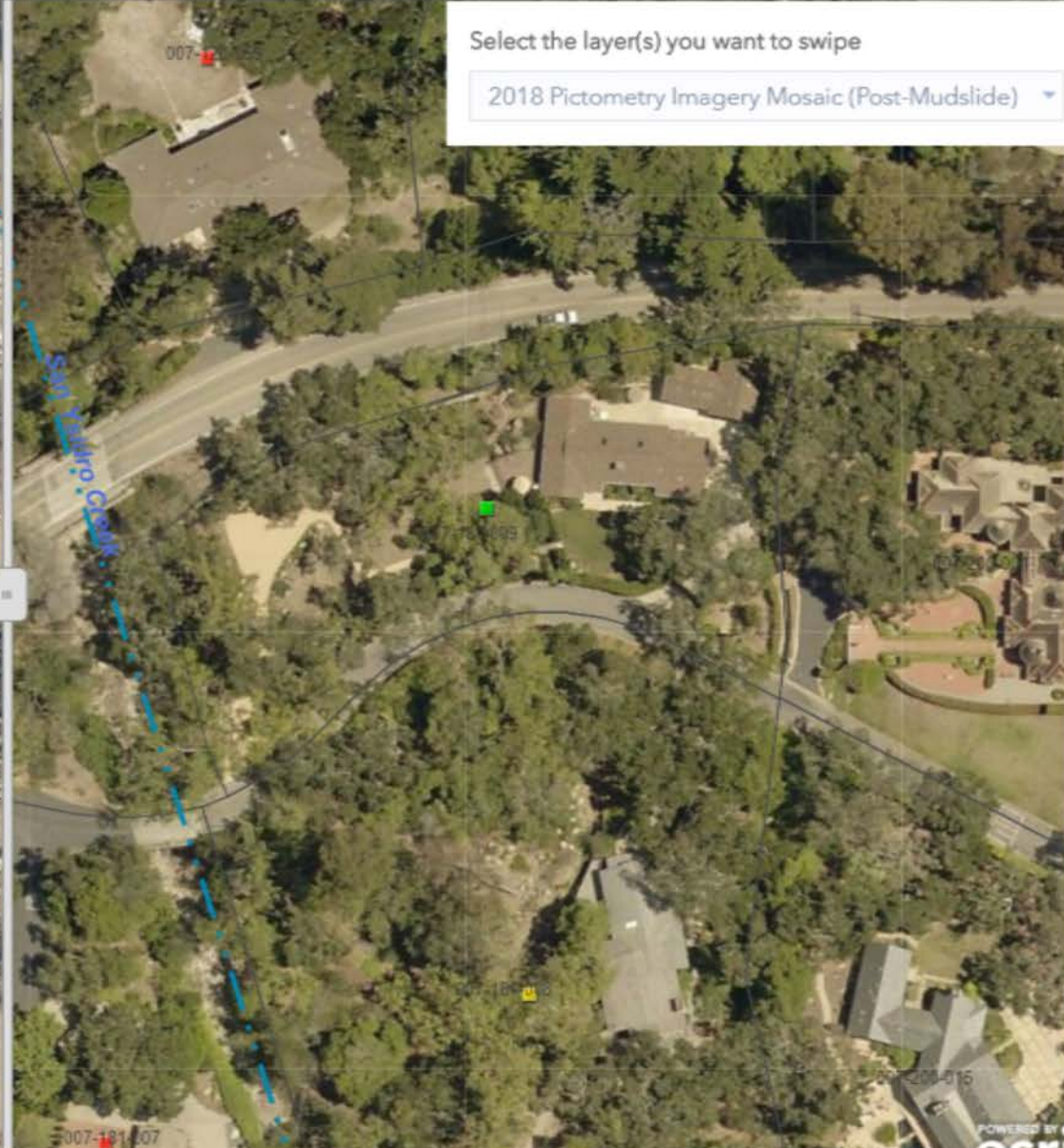


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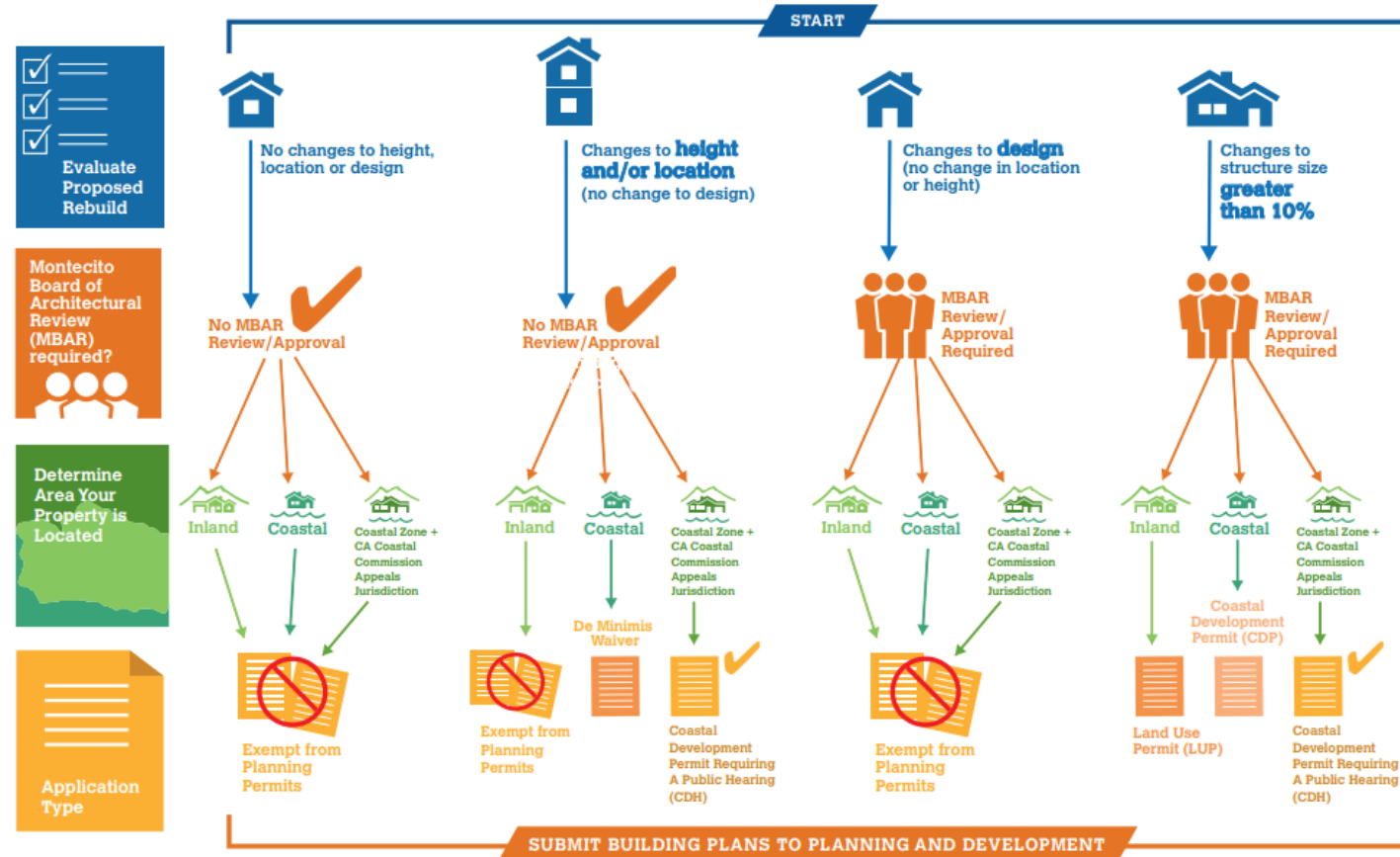
Code and Ordinance Revisions

- ◆ Santa Barbara County – “Like for Like” ordinance – Processed amendments to address changes in flood hazard and topography
 - ◆ Provided exemption from zoning if building is same size, even if the footprint or height changed to address elevation and flood hazard changes; architectural review required for substantial exterior changes.
 - ◆ Coastal Commission equivalent (de minimus waiver)
 - ◆ Ordinance amendments expedited locally and at the Coastal Commission
- ◆ Updated FEMA Recovery Maps - Worked with FEMA to produce recovery maps to guide rebuilding
 - ◆ Encouraged property owners to delay rebuilding decisions until Recovery Maps were available

Permit Process

Permit Process Flow Chart

DISCLAIMER: This flow chart is intended to provide general guidance on the permitting process. If your rebuilding needs are unique or complex, please consult a Planning and Development case manager for assistance.



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Timeline

- ◆ 1/9/18: Montecito Debris Flow
- ◆ 5/15/18: Like For Like Ordinance adopted by Board of Supervisors
 - ◆ 4/17/18 Montecito Planning Commission – public debate
 - ◆ 4/25/18 County Planning Commission
- ◆ 6/19/18: Interim FEMA Flood Advisory Map available for use
- ◆ 7/11/18: Coastal Commission Action on De Minimis Waiver Process (Like for Like in the Coastal Zone)

Staffing and Resources

- ◆ Supporting the rebuilding has to be a priority.
 - ◆ Impacts to routine work assignments difficult to avoid.
- ◆ Support was possible with coordination through partnerships and assistance from volunteers.
- ◆ Staff support is critical.
 - ◆ Trained to deal with planning and building issues.
 - ◆ Provided training on dealing with people who have experienced trauma.
 - ◆ Support staff in dealing with their own feelings and anxieties following the incident.

Government Finance

- ◆ Significant part of response efforts are reimbursed; recovery isn't, except through grants.
- ◆ Financial implications of disaster are substantial.
 - ◆ Loss of sales tax during the fire and debris flow.
 - ◆ Loss of transient occupancy tax while hotels are being repaired.
 - ◆ Property tax ramifications are longer term while properties are rebuilt.



Progress To Date

- ◇ Slow rebuilding process
 - ◇ Insurance funding issues
 - ◇ Information needs to rebuild
 - ◇ Indecision about rebuilding in the area



Lessons Learned

- ❖ The demands for data are high and variable.
- ❖ We don't set the pace for rebuilding.
 - ❖ We can only provide the tools to facilitate rebuilding.
- ❖ It's a long process and need to plan for the long term.
- ❖ Think of ordinance needs upfront.

