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(D) The Board's intent is to facilitate orderly remediation of a large-scale disaster. Nothing in these deadlines shall limit the authority of the County to abate hazards more quickly where required by exigent circumstances. Moreover, nothing in this Chapter shall limit the authority of the Health Officer to require any preventive measures as defined in California Health and Safety Code Section 101040 as the Health Officer determines necessary.

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