

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15-XX

DETERMINATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY IN BENTON, CLACKAMAS, CLATSOP, COLUMBIA, LANE, LINCOLN, LINN, MARION, MULTNOMAH, POLK, TILLAMOOK, WASHINGTON, AND YAMHILL COUNTIES DUE TO A SEVERE WINTER STORM THAT INCLUDES HIGH WINDS, FLOODING, AND LANDSLIDES

Pursuant to ORS 401.165, I find that a threat to life, safety, property, and significant damage to the state roads on the federal-aid highway system exists due to severe winter storms that has caused and continues to cause a natural disaster in the above identified jurisdictions. Beginning December 07, 2015, and continuing, these severe storms are causing heavy rains, high winds, flooding, landslides, and erosion at various locations within these jurisdictions, resulting in critical transportation failures, loss of power and communications capabilities, and evacuations and sheltering needs. This storm system damaged state highways throughout the jurisdictions with scour, washouts, sinkholes, serious debris flows and mudslides.

IT IS ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

1. The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) shall activate the State's Emergency Operations Plan, and shall coordinate access to and use of personnel and equipment of all state agencies necessary to assess, alleviate, respond to, mitigate or recover from conditions caused by this emergency. OEM shall coordinate all essential protective measures in support of disaster areas identified above.
2. The Oregon National Guard, Oregon State Police, Oregon Public Utility Commission and Oregon Department of Transportation shall provide any assistance that is deemed necessary to assist in the response to this emergency and to provide all necessary support to the above identified jurisdictions. All other state agencies shall be prepared to assist as requested by OEM.
3. The Oregon Department of Transportation shall provide appropriate assistance and seek federal resources to effect repair and reconstruction of the federal aid highway system in above identified jurisdictions.

Done at _____, Oregon, this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Kate Brown
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Jeanne Atkins
SECRETARY OF STATE