



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 08 - 22

DETERMINATION OF A STATE OF DROUGHT EMERGENCY IN SHERMAN COUNTY DUE TO DROUGHT AND LOW WATER CONDITIONS

Pursuant to ORS 401.055, I find that ongoing drought and low water conditions and weather patterns have the potential to cause local adverse natural and economic disaster conditions in Sherman County. Projected weather patterns are not expected to significantly alleviate these conditions and drought conditions are continuing. These conditions are expected to have significant economic impact on Sherman County's agricultural, livestock, and natural resources.

Current conditions are being addressed by state agencies including the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Water Resources, and Oregon Emergency Management.

A timely response to this situation being vital to the well being and economic security of the citizens and businesses of the Sherman County, I am therefore declaring a "state of drought emergency" in Sherman County and directing the following activities.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

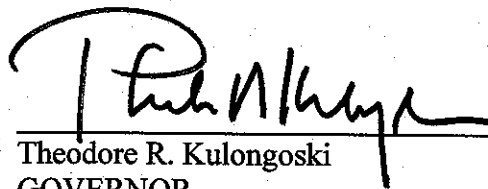
1. The Oregon Department of Agriculture shall coordinate and provide assistance in seeking federal resources available to mitigate conditions and affect agricultural recovery in Sherman County.
2. The Department of Water Resources shall coordinate and provide assistance and regulation for Sherman County as it determines is necessary in accordance with ORS 536.700 to 536.780.
3. The Office of Emergency Management is directed to coordinate and assist as needed with assessment and mitigation activities to address current and projected conditions in Sherman County.
4. All other departments shall coordinate with the above agencies to provide appropriate essential state resources to assist affected political subdivisions in the Sherman County.



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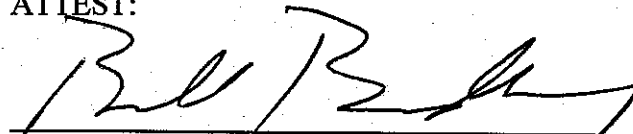
5. This Executive Order expires on December 31, 2008.

Done at Salem, Oregon this 24th day of September, 2008.



Theodore R. Kulongoski
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



Bill Bradbury
SECRETARY OF STATE

