



**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13-10**

**DETERMINATION OF A STATE OF DROUGHT EMERGENCY IN MORROW COUNTY DUE TO DROUGHT AND LOW WATER CONDITIONS.**

Pursuant to ORS 401.165 and ORS 536.740, I find that ongoing drought and low water conditions and weather patterns have caused local adverse natural and economic disaster conditions in Morrow County. Projected climatic patterns are not expected to significantly alleviate these conditions and drought conditions will continue. These conditions are expected to have significant economic impact on Morrow 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 Office of Emergency Management.

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DIRECTED:**

1. The Oregon Department of Agriculture is directed to coordinate and provide assistance in seeking federal resources available to mitigate conditions and affect agricultural recovery in Morrow County.
2. The Department of Water Resources is directed to coordinate and provide assistance and regulation in Morrow 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 Morrow County.
4. All other departments are directed to coordinate with the above agencies and to provide appropriate state resources as determined essential to assist affected political subdivisions in Morrow County.

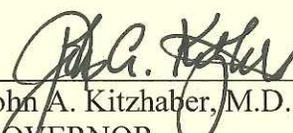


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5. This Executive Order expires on December 31, 2013.

Done at Salem, Oregon this 14 day of August, 2013.



  
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John A. Kitzhaber, M.D.  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
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Kate Brown  
SECRETARY OF STATE