



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER # 331**

**Relating to a Declaration of a State of Emergency**

**WHEREAS**, heavy rains in the state during the week of September 20 through 26, 2010, have resulted in high waters and flooding of the Wisconsin River; and

**WHEREAS**, flood waters from the Wisconsin River have compromised the Caledonia-Lewiston levee in Columbia County, closing the access road to the Blackhawk Park residential area in Portage; and

**WHEREAS**, the continuing high waters create a risk of further failure of the levee and additional flooding of roadways, potentially including Interstate Highway 39; and

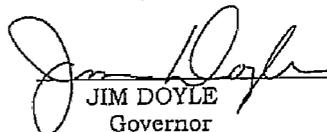
**WHEREAS**, state and local emergency responders are closely monitoring and responding to this situation, including staff from Wisconsin Emergency Management, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, and the Wisconsin State Patrol; and

**WHEREAS**, additional personnel and resources are needed to expedite the response and recovery operations;

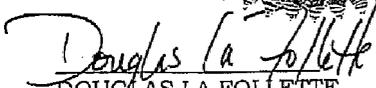
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Doyle**, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this state, and specifically by Sections 321.39(1)(a) and 323.10 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

1. Declare that a State of Emergency exists in Columbia County; and
2. Direct all state agencies of the State of Wisconsin to assist Columbia County as appropriate in this response and recovery effort; and
3. Call to state active duty such elements of the Wisconsin National Guard as the Adjutant General deems necessary to assist Wisconsin Emergency Management, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, the Wisconsin State Patrol, and authorities in Columbia County in providing security and other essential services; and
4. Authorize the Adjutant General to use personnel called to state active duty pursuant to this order in emergency status.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this twenty-seventh day of September in the year two thousand and ten.

  
JIM DOYLE  
Governor

By the Governor

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State