

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER #306**

An Amendment to Executive Order #303 Relating to a Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency in Response to Widespread Flooding

WHEREAS, commencing on August 20, 2018, a persistent and ongoing statewide weather pattern, as determined by the National Weather Service, has resulted in multiple rounds of thunderstorms, heavy rain, high winds, hail, and tornadoes causing widespread flash flooding, the evacuation of many individuals and businesses, closed roadways, damaged bridges and culverts, and imperiled critical infrastructure affecting all areas of the State; and

WHEREAS, this ongoing storm system has devastated widespread areas of the State with previously saturated terrain due to continual summer rains; and

WHEREAS, area emergency responders from fire, law enforcement, and emergency medical services have responded to this flooding and devastation, including staff from Wisconsin Emergency Management, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, 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 in the affected areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, and specifically by Sections 321.39, 323.10 and 323.12 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

- 1. Proclaim that a State of Emergency exists throughout the State of Wisconsin.
- 2. Direct all state agencies of the State of Wisconsin to assist as appropriate in this response and recovery effort.
- 3. Call to state active duty such elements of the Wisconsin National Guard as the Adjutant General deems necessary to assist local authorities in providing security and other essential services.
- 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-ninth day of August in the year two thousand eighteen

Governor

By the Governor:

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| Secretary of State