

The State of Wisconsin



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 54

Relating to a Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency

WHEREAS, severe storms, including record rainfall and high winds, occurred from May 19 through May 31, 2004 in Columbia, Crawford, Fond du Lac, Grant, Jefferson, Kenosha, Ozaukee, and Vernon counties; and

WHEREAS, these storms resulted in record rainfall during the month of May and caused rivers and streams to reach or exceed flood stage and waters levels to be extremely high; and

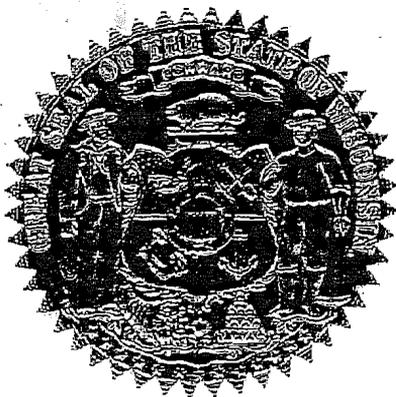
WHEREAS, these conditions continue to pose a threat to citizens and have already caused damage to public and private property and threatened public safety; and

WHEREAS, local and county agencies and impacted citizens are taking all necessary precautions in response to this event, such as evacuating those in imminent danger, sandbagging, pumping, moving property to higher ground, etc.; and

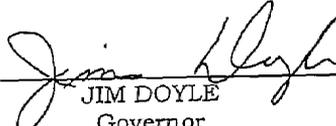
WHEREAS, Wisconsin Emergency Management is closely monitoring the situation in conjunction with local and county officials;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM DOYLE, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State, and specifically by Wis. Stat. § 166.03(1)(b)(1), do hereby:

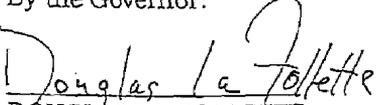
- (1) proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in Columbia, Crawford, Fond du Lac, Grant, Jefferson, Kenosha, Ozaukee, and Vernon counties;
- (2) direct all state agencies of the State of Wisconsin to assist the above referenced counties as appropriate in this flood-fighting and storm response effort.



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 seventh day of June, 2004.


JIM DOYLE
Governor

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State