

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 209

Relating to a Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency

WHEREAS, heavy rainfall in areas currently saturated with continual summer rains has caused widespread flooding, washing out roads and bridges, downing power lines, forcing the evacuation of citizens and imperiling structures in the Counties of Crawford, Richland and Vernon; and

WHEREAS, emergency responders from fire, law enforcement, and emergency medical services have responded to this flooding, including staff from Wisconsin Emergency Management, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and the Wisconsin State Patrol; and

WHEREAS, additional State personnel and resources are needed to expedite the response and recovery operations in the affected area;

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 21.11(1) and 166.03(1)(b) of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

- Proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in Crawford, Richland and Vernon Counties; and
- Direct all state agencies of the State of Wisconsin to assist the above referenced counties 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, and the Wisconsin State Patrol authorities in the Counties of Crawford, Richland and Vernon in providing security and other essential services; and

 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 nineteenth day of August in the year two thousand and seven.

JIM DOYLE

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State