



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #202

**Relating to a Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency
in Response to Flooding**

WHEREAS, beginning on July 11, 2016, widespread and continuing severe thunderstorms producing torrential rain, damaging winds, large hail and tornadoes have forced the evacuation of persons, downed trees and power lines, and caused flash flooding damaging roads and bridges in the counties of Ashland, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, Iron, Price, Sawyer and Washburn amounting to a natural disaster; and

WHEREAS, emergency responders from fire, law enforcement, and emergency medical services need to respond as a result of this severe weather, including staff from Wisconsin Emergency Management, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, the Wisconsin State Patrol Wisconsin, the Department of Transportation, and the Wisconsin National Guard; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, 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), 323.10, and 323.12 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

1. Proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in Ashland, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, Iron, Price, Sawyer and Washburn Counties, Wisconsin; and
2. 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 civil authorities for purposes of assisting in response and recovery as well as 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 twelfth day of July in the year two thousand sixteen.


SCOTT WALKER
Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State