

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

At Charleston

A PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, beginning on the twenty-ninth day of February, Two Thousand Twelve, continuous rainfall, high winds, mudslides and hail have caused flooding and flash flooding in the counties of Doddridge, Harrison, Marion, Monongalia, Preston, Ritchie and Taylor; and

WHEREAS, the effects of the rainfall, high winds, mudslides and hail pose a severe and continuing threat to the health, safety, welfare and property of the citizens of the aforementioned counties; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with my authority as Governor, I declared a State of Emergency for the counties of Doddridge, Harrison, Marion, Monongalia, Preston, Ritchie and Taylor beginning on the first day of March, Two Thousand Twelve.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EARL RAY TOMBLIN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, and in consideration of the foregoing, do hereby **ORDER** the implementation of the State's Emergency Operations Plan, the activation of the State's Emergency Operations Center, the implementation of all provisions of section six, article five, chapter fifteen of the Code of West Virginia, and delegate the authorities vested in me by section six, article five, chapter fifteen of the Code of West Virginia to the Director of the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management beginning immediately. In addition, I **FIND AND DECLARE** that a State of Emergency continues to exist in the counties of Doddridge, Harrison, Marion, Monongalia, Preston, Ritchie and Taylor. The State of Emergency shall remain in effect for thirty days from the date of today's Proclamation unless extended or rescinded by further Proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

DONE at the Capitol, in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the second day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twelve, in the One Hundred Forty-Ninth year of the State.



Earl Ray Tomblin
GOVERNOR

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