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Proclamation

Governor Declares State of Emergency in Seven Counties

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA



PROCLAMATION
by the
Governor of the State of California

I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, find that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property exist within the Counties of Riverside, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, Kern, San Bernardino, Orange, and San Diego Counties, State of California, as a result of a series of severe rainstorms in that area that commenced on December 28, 2004. The series of storms brought unusually heavy rains that caused flash floods, mudslides, the accumulation of debris, washed out and damaged roads and the loss of human life. These counties have proclaimed local emergencies and have requested that I proclaim a state of emergency. Because the magnitude of this disaster exceeds the capabilities of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of these counties, I find the counties of Riverside, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, Kern, San Bernardino, Orange, and San Diego to be in a state of emergency. Under the authority of the California Emergency Services Act, set forth at Title 2, Division 1, Chapter 7 of the California Government Code, commencing with section 8550, I hereby proclaim that a State of Emergency exists within the Counties of Riverside, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, Kern, San Bernardino, Orange and San Diego.

Pursuant to this proclamation, I hereby direct all agencies of the state government to utilize and employ state personnel, equipment and facilities for the performance of any and all necessary activities to alleviate this emergency in accordance with the State Emergency Plan.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this proclamation.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have here unto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this the fifteenth day of January 2005.

/s/ Arnold Schwarzenegger

Governor of California

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