



# State of New Mexico

Susana Martinez  
*Governor*

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER 2014-013**

### **DECLARING AN EMERGENCY THROUGHOUT NEW MEXICO DUE TO MONSOONAL FLOODING**

**WHEREAS**, The National Weather Service declared the Northern American Monsoon began impacting New Mexico beginning July 1, 2014 and is continuing;

**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service predicts a strong prospect of a moderate to strong El Niño pattern with the likelihood of above average monsoonal rainfall;

**WHEREAS**, a number of large and damaging wildfires have affected New Mexico over the last three years;

**WHEREAS**, major flooding has repeatedly occurred over the last several years as the result of water runoff of fire burn scars and continues to occur;

**WHEREAS**, flooding has occurred as the result of storms on July 8, 9, 15 and 23 in Cochiti, Kewa (Santa Domingo) and Jemez Pueblos;

**WHEREAS**, flooding on the Pueblos has damaged irrigation systems and roads recently repaired through Presidential Disaster Declarations DR 4148 and 4152;

**WHEREAS**, flooding on July 28, 2014 has caused additional damage to the West Puerto de Luna Dam in Guadalupe County causing a high potential for failure as determined by the US Army Corps of Engineers;

**WHEREAS**, flooding beginning July 28, 2014 and continuing caused damage to roads in Rio Arriba, Guadalupe, and Taos Counties;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Guadalupe, Rio Arriba, Sandoval and Taos County have issued emergency declarations;

**WHEREAS**, all available local and state resources may be insufficient to alleviate this emergency and prevent damage from the result of these dangerous flooding conditions and subsequent damage to infrastructure, resources and property will pose a significant threat to health, safety, and welfare of citizens and visitors to New Mexico, as well as the economic base of affected local governments;

**WHEREAS**, this emergency requires immediate action to preserve the health, safety, and welfare to preserve the lives and property of the people of the State of New Mexico; and

**WHEREAS**, this emergency is of such magnitude as to be beyond local control and requires the resources of the State to avoid or minimize economic or physical harm and to take action necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Susana Martinez, Governor of the State of New Mexico, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of New Mexico, do hereby declare a State of Emergency to exist in state of New Mexico due to flooding beginning July 1, 2014, through the day the Governor's Authorized Representative determines to be the end of the emergency period.

**I DIRECT** the Department of Finance and Administration to make available emergency financial resources in an amount not to exceed seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000.00) to the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management in accordance with NMSA 1978, §§ 12-11-23 through 12-11-25. The funds shall be expended for resources and services necessary to avoid or minimize economic or physical harm until the situation becomes stabilized and again under local self-support and control; on a temporary, emergency basis for lodging, sheltering, health care, food, any transportation or shipping necessary to protect lives or public property; or for any other action necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare. The funds shall be paid out upon warrants drawn by the Secretary of Finance and Administration upon vouchers approved by the Governor or the Governor's Authorized Representative.

**I FURTHER DIRECT** the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to coordinate all requests for assistance and responses to such requests under the authority of and as determined by the Governor and the Governor's Authorized Representative and to request such aid and assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency as may be appropriate. In addition to such other eligibility criteria as may be established by the Governor and the Governor's Authorized Representative, applicants requesting financial assistance from the State for necessary action taken in response to the emergency shall be required to demonstrate that the cost of the necessary action exceeds their available resources, as determined based upon criteria developed in conjunction with the State agencies (if any) with financial and budgetary oversight responsibilities for the applicant.

**I FURTHER DIRECT** the Adjutant General to order into service any elements of the New Mexico National Guard as are or may be needed to provide military support to civil authorities as needed for this emergency. This action is pursuant to and in accordance with NMSA 1978, §§ 20-1-1 through 20-1-8, NMSA 1978, §§ 20-2-1 through 20-2-8, and NMSA 1978, §§ 20-4-1 through 20-4-14. Such emergency assistance shall be provided during the period of need at the discretion of the Governor's Authorized Representative.

**I FURTHER DIRECT** all Cabinet Departments and agencies under gubernatorial control to provide any assistance that may be required by the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management or by the State Emergency Operations Center under the authority of the Governor's Authorized Representative.

**THIS ORDER** supersedes any other previous orders, proclamations, or directives in conflict. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until such time as the Governor rescinds it.

SIGNED AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE THIS  
6<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 2014.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT  
SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.



SUSANA MARTINEZ  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



DIANNA J. DURAN  
SECRETARY OF STATE

