EXECUTIVE ORDER #128

Relating to a Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency Due to Severe Weather

WHEREAS, beginning on July 28, 2021, several Wisconsin counties experienced extreme weather, including heavy rainfall, large hail, straight-line damaging winds, and reported tornadoes;

WHEREAS, this extreme weather has created an emergency situation by endangering lives and property throughout the state;

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

WHEREAS, additional personnel and resources are needed to expedite and enhance the response and recovery operations in the affected areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State, and specifically by Sections 321.39(1)(a), 323.10, and 323.12(4) of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

1. Proclaim that there is a State of Emergency in Wisconsin.
2. Direct all state agencies of the State of Wisconsin to assist affected counties as appropriate in a response and recovery effort.
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 efforts as well as providing security and other essential services.
4. Authorize the Adjutant General to utilize 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 twenty-ninth day of July in the year of two thousand twenty-one.

TONY EVERS
Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State