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Richard D. Lamm
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER

ESTABLISHING COLORADO INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM BOARD AND DIRECTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM IN COLORADO

WHEREAS, certain types of emergencies and disasters have occurred in Colorado and will continue to occur in the future; and

WHEREAS, the complexity of these incidents necessitates the use of an all-hazards Incident Command System (ICS) to provide for an orderly and standardized command and control structure to direct field operations that is responsive to the needs of emergency response agencies at all levels of government; and

WHEREAS, the wildfire community has developed such a system nationally and this system has been adopted by the wildfire community in Colorado and with their support has been promoted for use by other professional emergency response communities in Colorado; and

WHEREAS, this program currently is directed through an intergovernmental/interagency board on a voluntary basis; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need to provide formal recognition for the Incident Command System and to provide legitimacy and authority for the state ICS organization;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Lamm, pursuant to my authority as Governor of the State of Colorado, under the Colorado Disaster Emergency Act of 1973, 24-33.5-701 et seq., C.R.S., to address the needs identified above and to ensure their conformity with the state's Comprehensive Emergency Management Program, do hereby formally establish a state Colorado Incident Command System Board; said board to be chaired by the Director of the Division of Disaster Emergency Services and to consist of the following permanent membership:

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Chairperson - Director, Division of Disaster Emergency Services

Emergency Management Community - 2 members

Structural Fire Community - 2 members
(1-Career Fire Service, 1-Volunteer Fire Service)

Wildfire Community - 2 members

Law Enforcement Community - 2 members
(1-Colorado State Patrol)

Emergency Medical Services Community - 2 members

Search and Rescue Community - 2 members

Colorado Sheriffs' Association - 1 member

Each of the emergency services communities above are encouraged to recommend representatives to fill designated board memberships. To facilitate this process, I direct that the following state agencies act in a liaison capacity with the professional communities listed above:

Department of Public Safety; Division of Disaster Emergency Services

Department of Public Safety; Division of Fire Safety

Department of Higher Education; State Forest Service

Department of Public Safety; Colorado State Patrol

Department of Health; Division of Emergency Medical Services

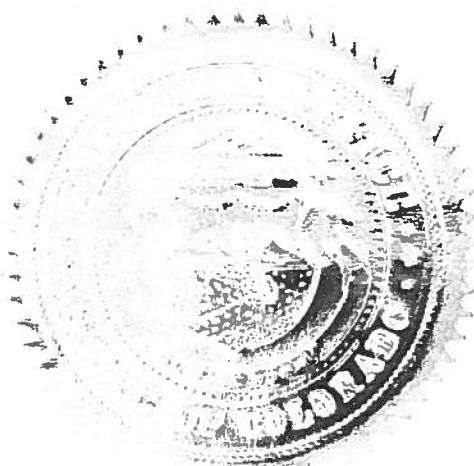
Departments of Public Safety/Military Affairs; Division of Disaster Emergency Services/Civil Air Patrol

Recommendations for membership on the board should be made to the Chairman within 30 days of the effective date of this Executive Order. Board members serve for terms of one year. The Chairman may add up to three members to the board if necessary to achieve the goals stated in this Executive Order.

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The responsibilities assigned to the board and through it to CICS organizations are to encourage, promote, facilitate and coordinate the adoption of an all-hazards Incident Command System for field operations and ensure implementation of standardized training by all levels of government and their emergency response agencies within Colorado. This includes activities associated with the coordination and participation of interested federal agencies. The board may also create a support structure to include working teams, implementation groups and special task forces to carry out its goals and objectives. To ensure these responsibilities are met, the board is to meet at the call of the Chairman but no fewer than four times a year. The board will publish an annual work program and will report to the Governor once a year on its progress in implementing ICS in Colorado.



GIVEN under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado, this sixteenth day of
July, A.D. 1986.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. D. Lamm", written over a horizontal line.

Richard D. Lamm
Governor

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