

## STATE OF COLORADO

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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Roy Romer  
 Governor

## TABLE MOUNTAIN RESEARCH CENTER

WHEREAS, section 24-31-101(1)(a), C.R.S. (1973) provides that the Attorney General shall prosecute and defend all actions and proceedings, civil and criminal, in which the State of Colorado is a party or is interested, when required to so by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. D0038-83, issued December 9, 1983, authorized the Attorney General of Colorado to pursue all necessary actions to initiate and pursue on behalf of the state of Colorado claims and/or actions pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Sections 9601 to 9567, related to the sites and/or facilities listed within Executive Order No. D0038-83; and

WHEREAS, Several subsequent site specific executive orders were issued authorizing the Attorney General to take all actions necessary to investigate and remedy contamination to the environment or natural resources at those sites. Executive Order Nos. D-0012-86, D-0060-86, D-0084-86, and D-0037-87; and

WHEREAS, Information received and inspections performed by the Colorado Department of Health and Environment have disclosed the existence of contamination at the Table Mountain Research Center in Jefferson County, which may be contributing to the endangerment of public health and welfare and contamination of the environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of the State of Colorado, by the power vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Colorado, DO HEREBY ORDER THAT:

1. The Attorney General of Colorado take all necessary action to coordinate with the Governor's Office and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, the state of Colorado's response to contamination at the Table Mountain Research Center.

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2. The Attorney General is further ordered to take all necessary action on behalf of the state of Colorado, in consultation with this Office and the Colorado Department of Health and Environment, to investigate all known, suspected, or potential violations of the laws of the state of Colorado, including its common law, and the laws of the United States that may be enforced by the state of Colorado, related directly or indirectly to, affecting, arising out of, connected with, or contributing to the known, suspected or potential pollution, contamination, degradation, or endangerment of the environment or natural resources within the jurisdiction of the state of Colorado by past or present activities or practice at the Table Mountain Research Center and to prosecute in any court of competent jurisdiction, as deemed appropriate by the Attorney General, through civil and/or criminal actions, all such actual or suspected violations.



Given under my hand and the Executive  
Seal of the State of Colorado this 30th  
day of May, 1996.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Roy Romer", written in a cursive style.

Roy Romer  
Governor