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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Roy Romer
Governor

COLORADO STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado may be subjected to a variety of disasters or emergencies; and

WHEREAS, it is the statutory responsibility of each county to maintain a disaster emergency plan and response agency, and for each political subdivision within each county to be within the jurisdiction of such an agency, C.R.S. 24-32-2107; and

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado should be prepared to respond to emergencies and disasters; and

WHEREAS, it is the statutory responsibility of the Colorado Department of Local Affairs, Division of Local Government, Office of Emergency Management, to maintain a state disaster emergency plan, C.R.S. 24-32-2105(2); and

WHEREAS, this requires a continuous planning process with a coordinated effort of all state departments and state agencies; and

WHEREAS, the coordinated effort may include functions that cut across normal department or agency lines.

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

1. The Colorado State Emergency Operations Plan (hereinafter referred to as the "Plan") shall specify the response tasks of state government and foster interagency cooperation in the protection of life and property.
2. Each state department or state agency assigned tasks within this Plan will develop, maintain and test an internal plan and standard operating procedures/guidelines for carrying out these emergency functions.

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3. State department or state agency internal plans shall be reviewed and updated annually.
4. State departments or state agencies designated as a State Emergency Function Lead within this Plan will develop and maintain the appropriate functional annex for carrying out these emergency functions with the support of other agencies. Annexes are to be completed during this year.
5. Functional annexes will be reviewed and updated annually. Changes will be submitted to the Office of Emergency Management for inclusion in the Plan.
6. The Director of the Office of Emergency Management is designated as the State Coordinating Officer (SCO). Responsibilities of the SCO include: coordinating development and maintenance of the Plan and related documents among state departments and agencies; facilitating changes in the Plan required by new conditions and changing needs of the state; and speedy and efficient implementation of the Plan in the event of disaster emergency.
7. All other state departments or state agencies not charged specifically in this Plan will carry out such functions the Governor shall specify.
8. Every state department or state agency shall appoint a department or agency emergency response coordinator who shall act as the point of contact for all matters pertaining to emergency management, the name and contact information to be provided to the Office of Emergency Management.
9. The Office of Emergency Management will be responsible for overseeing and providing assistance in the development and review of local emergency operation plans.
10. Local emergency operations plans will be forwarded to the Office of Emergency Management whenever significant changes have been made.
11. The Office of Emergency Management will submit periodic reports to the Governor and COS, outlining the condition of Colorado's comprehensive emergency management program.

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12. Any action or other information not included in this working draft Plan or action or information that is found to be incorrect will be supplemented by the 1992 Emergency Operations Plan.
13. Upon proclamation of the Governor, when implemented under disaster emergency conditions and pursuant to C.R.S. 24-32-2104(2), the Plan, including annexes and other supporting documents approved by the Director of the Office of Emergency Management, shall have the force and effect of law.
14. The Office of Emergency Management, on behalf of the state, is empowered to enter into mutual aid agreements with federal, private, volunteer or other agencies or organizations in support of the Plan, and state departments and state agencies are empowered to do likewise to carry out their responsibilities under the Plan with the concurrence of the director of the Office of Emergency Management.
15. This Executive Order supersedes Executive Order D0100 88.



Given under my hand and the Executive
Seal of the State of Colorado on this
5th day of June, 1996.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roy Romer".

Roy Romer
Governor

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