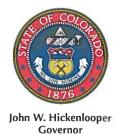
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# **EXECUTIVE ORDER**

# **Employing the National Guard for the Purpose of Rescuing Stranded Motorists**

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Governor of the State of Colorado and, in particular, pursuant to relevant portions of C.R.S. § 28-3-104, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order employing the National Guard for the purpose of rescuing stranded motorists in Southeastern Colorado.

### I. Declaration and Directives

On December 19, 2011, it was brought to my attention that there were motorists stranded in blizzard conditions in Baca, Bent, Las Animas, Otero, and Prowers counties. Conventional equipment had been unable to rescue the motorists and their rescue required the assistance of certain kinds of specialized equipment. The National Guard possessed such equipment and the affected counties requested such equipment through the Colorado Division of Emergency Management. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 28-3-104, I verbally authorized the activation of the National Guard to assist in this rescue on December 19, 2011. This Executive Order memorializes my verbal order.

### II. Duration

This Executive Order shall expire thirty days from December 19, 2011 unless extended further by Executive Order.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado this twentieth day of December, 2011.

John W. Hickenlooper

Governor