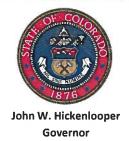
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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Activating the National Guard to Respond to the Hewlett Fire in Larimer County

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Governor of the State of Colorado and, in particular, pursuant to Colorado Constitution, article IV, sections 5 and 13 and C.R.S. § 28-3-104, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order activating the National Guard for the purposes of protecting life and property and public health and safety.

I. Background

On May 14, 2012, the United States Forest Service through the Northern Colorado Inter-agency Dispatch Center requested the use of the National Guard Armory located in Fort Collins as an incident command post and base camp for response to the Hewlett Fire in Larimer County. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 28-3-104, I verbally authorized the activation of the National Guard to assist with this request. This Executive Order memorializes my verbal order.

II. <u>Declaration and Directives</u>

- A. Pursuant to C.R.S. §§ 24-32-2104(6) and 28-3-104, as commander-in-chief of military forces, I hereby employ and call to active duty certain elements of the Colorado National Guard as may be necessary to respond to this fire, and delegate command authority to the Adjutant General of the Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. I order the Adjutant General of the Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Director of the Division of Emergency Management to coordinate activities between their respective department and division as necessary to respond to this fire and execute the directives contained in this Executive Order.
- B. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-32-2106, sufficient unexpended funds exist in the Disaster Emergency Fund from events previously encumbered to cover the National Guard's costs. These funds shall remain available for this purpose for one year from the date of this Executive Order, and any unexpended funds shall remain in the Disaster Emergency

Fund. It is understood that the U.S. Forest Service will reimburse the State of Colorado for these costs. This reimbursement shall be deposited to the Disaster Emergency Fund.

III. <u>Duration</u>

This Executive Order shall expire thirty days from May 14, 2012 unless extended further by Executive Order.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado this seventeenth day of

May, 2012.

John W. Hickenlooper

Governor