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John W. Hickenlooper
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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Employing the National Guard for the Purpose of Conducting Search and Rescue Operations

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 conducting search and rescue operations in southeast Colorado.

I. Background and Purpose

On November 17, 2015, I was advised that the Colorado State Patrol requested Colorado National Guard assistance in the form of personnel and equipment to conduct search and rescue operations for stranded motorists on Highway 287 in Prowers County. The Colorado National Guard possesses such capability. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 28-3-104, I verbally authorized the activation of the Colorado National Guard to assist in the search and recovery operations.

II. Declaration and Directives

- A. This Executive Order memorializes my verbal order and authorizes use of the Colorado National Guard for up to thirty days, for the purposes described herein.
- B. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-705.4, the Resource Mobilization Fund will be made available to the Colorado National Guard to cover expenses associated with the mission.

III. Duration

This Executive Order shall expire thirty days from this date unless extended further by Executive Order.



GIVEN under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado this second day of
December, 2015.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "John W. Hickenlooper". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being particularly prominent.

John W. Hickenlooper
Governor