

# STATE OF COLORADO

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John W. Hickenlooper  
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### EXECUTIVE ORDER

#### **Authorizing Colorado Personnel to Assist Florida with Emergency Response Efforts Related to Hurricane Irma**

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Governor of the State of Colorado and, in particular, pursuant to the Colorado Constitution, Article IV, Section 2, and pursuant to the relevant portions of the Colorado Disaster Emergency Act, C.R.S § 24-33.5-701 *et seq.*, and in particular, to C.R.S § 24-33.5-702(1)(f), I, Donna Lynne, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order authorizing personnel from Colorado to assist with emergency response efforts related to Hurricane Irma and, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-60-2901 *et seq.*, implement the Emergency Management Assistance Compact.

#### **I. Background and Need**

The Southern United States recently suffered one of the worst natural disasters in our nation's history - Hurricane Irma. The hurricane's damage to property and critical infrastructure devastated communities in its path. In the continental United States, the State of Florida endured most of the damage from Hurricane Irma.

As a party to the Emergency Management Assistance Compact, C.R.S. § 24-60-2901 *et seq.*, the State of Colorado is able to provide assistance to states and certain United States Territories enduring a disaster emergency. The State of Florida, also a party to the Compact, requested that Colorado provide emergency support teams to support the needs of Florida's State Emergency Operations Center.

By this Order, I authorize personnel from Colorado to respond to Florida's request for assistance.

II. Mission and Scope

- A. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-702(1)(f), as acting Governor of the State of Colorado, I hereby authorize personnel from Colorado to assist Florida with emergency response efforts related to Hurricane Irma.
- B. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-60-2901 *et seq.*, I hereby implement the Emergency Management Assistance Compact. The State of Colorado shall provide personnel to assist Florida in emergency response efforts related to Hurricane Irma.
- C. I hereby authorize the Director of the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency management to encumber \$350,000 from the Resource Mobilization Fund, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-705.4(6), to pay for the use of personnel under this Executive Order, which will then be reimbursed by the State of Florida through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact. These funds shall remain available for this purpose for 12 months from the date of signature of this Executive Order.

IV. Duration

This Executive Order shall expire 30 days from its date of signature unless extended by Executive Order.



GIVEN under my hand and  
Executive Seal of the State of  
Colorado this twentieth day of  
October, 2017.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donna Lynne". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue horizontal line.

Donna Lynne  
Lieutenant Governor, acting on  
behalf of the State while Governor  
John W. Hickenlooper is absent  
from the State