# Office of the Governor State of Oregon



#### EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 09 - 01

## DETERMINATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN CLACKAMAS COUNTY DUE TO SEVERE WINTER WEATHER, INCLUDING HEAVY RAIN, SNOW MELT, AND FLOODING

Pursuant to ORS 401.055, I find that severe winter weather including heavy rain, snow melt, and flooding has created a threat to life safety and property in Clackamas County. These conditions have resulted in road closures, stranded motorists, mudslides, landslides, extensive flooding, evacuation of homes, and many areas of inaccessibility.

In Clackamas County, recent heavy rains, snow melt, debris, and flooding have made a significant number of roads throughout Clackamas County, including roads in the cities of Sandy, Estacada, Damascus, Happy Valley, and Oregon City inaccessible to emergency vehicles or emergency related vehicles. The County has not been able to obtain equipment locally to remove the debris from the roadways. There are immediate life, health and safety issues caused by the inability of emergency vehicles and emergency related vehicles to access people who are suffering from serious medical conditions or isolated from standard services.

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

- 1. The Oregon Military Department's Office of Emergency Management shall implement the State's Emergency Operations Plan, and coordinate with state and local agencies impacted by this severe weather event.
- 2. The Oregon National Guard shall provide the necessary manpower and equipment required to respond to requests from Clackamas County received by Oregon Emergency Management to facilitate response to this storm event.
- 3. The Oregon Department of Transportation shall provide the necessary manpower and equipment required to respond to requests from Clackamas County received by Oregon Emergency Management or in place mutual aid agreements to facilitate response to this storm event.

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These findings were made verbally on January 2, 2009 at 7:08 a.m.

Done at Salem, Oregon this 5th day of January, 2009.

Theodore R. Kulongoski GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Kate Brown

SECRETARY OF STATE