



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor

John Hoeven
Governor

Executive Order 2009-13

I, John Hoeven, Governor of the State of North Dakota, by the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim an emergency for the Dickinson and Stark County North Dakota area and other impacted areas of western North Dakota due to storm activity on July 8, 2009; and

WHEREAS, a severe summer storm caused extensive damage in Dickinson, including the destruction of homes, businesses and city facilities, as well as some of the city's power infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, storm activity produced large hail, heavy rainfall and high winds throughout western North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, storm activity resulted in severe damage to structures and has necessitated the need for widespread debris removal efforts; and

NOW THEREFORE, I order total utilization of the North Dakota State Emergency Operations Plan, its procedures, attachments and appendices, to respond to the situation, assist local and tribal officials, alleviate hardships, and implement appropriate recovery actions and future mitigation measures to limit the hardships and impact of this disaster, and facilitate restoration of services and infrastructure.

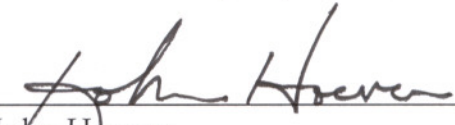
I further make available all state assets and North Dakota National Guard assets upon request through the Department of Emergency Services where local efforts, shortage of contractors, or response timelines require rapid response.

This order is issued upon the following basis and for the following reasons:

1. The Governor is vested with the executive authority pursuant to Article V, Section 1, of the North Dakota Constitution.
2. The Governor is vested with statutory authority to issue executive orders, minimize or avert the effects of a disaster or emergency pursuant to Chapter 37-17.1 of the North Dakota Century code.


3. A coordinated and effective effort of appropriating government departments is required to minimize the impact of emergencies and disasters in this state.

Executed at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 9 day of July 2009.



John Hoeven
Governor

ATTEST:



Secretary of State

Deputy