



State of New Mexico

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-033

DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO FLOODING IN CURRY AND EDDY COUNTIES AND PROVIDING EMERGENCY FUNDING

Curry and Eddy Counties were severely impacted by the remnants of the tropical storm Narda between September 3, 2019 and October 4, 2019.

During that period, heavy rainfall overwhelmed drainage systems within the affected counties, causing widespread damage to roads and other infrastructure.

These significant negative impacts prompted the affected counties to issue local declarations of emergency; those declarations noted that all local resources available have been insufficient to meet the challenges presented by this natural disaster and requested aid, assistance, relief programs, and funds from the State.

The continuing affect of this natural disaster has adversely impacted the local economy and infrastructure, threatened health and safety, and were of such magnitude as to be beyond local control and to require the resources of the State to minimize economic and physical harms and to require immediate action to protect the public health, safety, welfare, and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of the State of New Mexico, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of New Mexico, hereby declare a state of emergency to exist in Eddy and Curry Counties due to the severe flooding described above.

I DIRECT the Department of Finance and Administration to make available emergency

financial resources in an additional amount not to exceed two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management in accordance with NMSA 1978, Section 12-11-23 through 12-11-25. The funds shall be expended for resources and services necessary to avoid or minimize economic or physical harm until the situation becomes stabilized; on a temporary, emergency basis for lodging, sheltering, health care, food, any transportation or shipping necessary to protect lives or public property; or for any other action necessary to protect the public health, safety, welfare, and property. The funds shall be paid out upon warrants drawn by the Secretary of Finance and Administration upon vouchers approved by the Governor or the Governor's designee.

I FURTHER DIRECT the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to coordinate all requests for assistance and responses to such requests under the authority of and as determined by the Governor and her Authorized Representative and to request such aid and assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency as may be appropriate. In addition to such other eligibility criteria as may be established by the Governor and her designee, applicants requesting financial assistance from the State for necessary action taken in response to the emergency shall be required to demonstrate that the cost of the necessary action exceeds their available resources, as determined based upon criteria developed in conjunction with the State agencies (if any) with financial and budgetary oversight responsibilities for the applicant.

I FURTHER DIRECT the Adjutant General to order into service any elements of the New Mexico National Guard as are or may be needed to provide military support to civil authorities as needed for this emergency. This action is pursuant to and in accordance with NMSA 1978, Sections 20-1-1 through 20-1-8, NMSA 1978, Sections 20-2-1 through 20-2-8, and NMSA 1978, Sections 20-4-1 through 20-4-14. Such emergency assistance shall be provided during the period

of need at the discretion of the Governor or the Governor's designee.

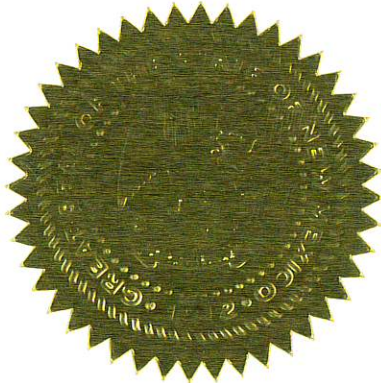
I FURTHER DIRECT all Cabinet Departments and agencies under gubernatorial control to provide any assistance that may be required by the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management or by the State Emergency Operations Center under the authority of the Governor's designee.

THIS ORDER supersedes any other previous orders, proclamations, or directives in conflict. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until the Governor rescinds it.

ATTEST:

Maggie Toulouse Oliver

MAGGIE TOULOUSE OLIVER
SECRETARY OF STATE



DONE AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
THIS 22ND DAY OF MAY, 2020

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Michelle Lujan Grisham
MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM
GOVERNOR