State of New Mexico

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-057

PROVIDING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR FLOODING DISASTER IN SOCORRO COUNTY, MORA COUNTY, MCKINLEY COUNTY, THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, AND THE PUEBLO OF ACOMA

Executive Orders 2010-034, 2010-035, and 2010-036 declared an emergency due to flooding across the state and made available emergency financial resources in the amount of one million, nine hundred thousand dollars ($1,900,000.00) to the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management for this emergency, in accordance with NMSA 1978, Sections 12-11-23 through 12-11-25;

Socorro County, Mora County, McKinley County, the City of Farmington, and the Pueblo of Acoma, incurred damage due to severe storms and major flooding beginning July 25, 2010 and continued through August 9, 2010;

On September 13, 2010 the President of the United States issued a Major Disaster Declaration (FEMA 1936-DR-NM), determining that Socorro County, Mora County, McKinley County, the City of Farmington, and the Pueblo of Acoma, were adversely affected by the flooding disaster;

As used in this Executive Order, “emergency federal funds” means all federal assistance available under FEMA 1936-DR-NM other than that assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program;
FEMA 1936-DR-NM provides emergency federal funds to address damage caused by the severe storms and flooding disaster within the affected areas;

The emergency federal funds are contingent upon matching funds being provided by the State and other governmental entities requesting assistance;

NMSA 1978, Section 12-11-25 specifically authorizes state emergency funds to be used for “securing matching federal funds”;

To date, FEMA has recognized nineteen local and government entities as being entitled to emergency federal funds pursuant to FEMA-1936-DR-NM;

FEMA has estimated the amount of dollar damage sustained by the nineteen eligible applicants to be fourteen million, seven hundred seventy-eight thousand, five hundred thirty dollars and ninety-three cents ($14,778,530.93);

The emergency financial resources provided by Executive Orders 2010-034, 2010-035, and 2010-036 are insufficient to meet the State’s required matching contribution under the FEMA-State Agreement concerning FEMA 1936-DR-NM;

Without additional emergency financial resources from the State, action necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare will not be timely undertaken due to lack of funding; and

This Executive Order increases the maximum amount of emergency financial resources available to the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management for the severe storm and flooding disaster initially declared in Executive Order 2010-034, 2010-025, and 2010-036 by four hundred fifty thousand dollars ($450,000.00), for a total under this Executive Order and Executive Orders 2010-034, 2010-035, and 2010-036, of two million, three hundred fifty thousand dollars ($2,350,000.00), such additional funds to be expended within areas eligible for emergency funds under FEMA-1936-DR-NM.
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, do hereby declare within the Counties of Socorro, Mora, McKinley, the City of Farmington, and the Pueblo of Acoma, the flooding emergency declared in Executive Orders 2010-034, 2010-035, and 2010-036 continues to be of such magnitude to be beyond local control and requires the resources of the State.

I DIRECT the Department of Finance and Administration to make available emergency financial resources in an additional amount not to exceed four hundred fifty thousand dollars ($450,000.00) to the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management in accordance with NMSA 1978, Sections 12-11-23 through 12-11-25. The funds shall be expended to secure matching emergency federal funds pursuant to FEMA-1936-DR-NM and 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 Authorized Representative.

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 such time as the Governor rescinds it.

ATTEST:

MAGGIE TOULOUSE OLIVER
SECRETARY OF STATE

DONE AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
THIS 13TH DAY OF AUGUST 2020

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

MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM
GOVERNOR