

## State of New Mexico

Michelle Lujan Grisham Governor

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER 2024-128**

## AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY FUNDS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DUE TO MONSOON FLOODING IN ZIA PUEBLO

WHEREAS, a strong monsoonal downburst occurred on August 20, 2016, resulting in significant damage to the Zia Pueblo, located in Sandoval County;

WHEREAS, the same storm system caused mudslides and flooding in Eddy, Doña Ana, Sierra, and Rio Arriba County, closing multiple state and local roads and damaging both public infrastructure and private property, including homes;

**WHEREAS,** on August 23, 2016, the State Emergency Operations Center was activated to Level III in response to the flood damage and in anticipation of additional flooding;

WHEREAS, this disaster required immediate action to protect public peace, health, and safety;

WHEREAS, this disaster was of such magnitude as to be beyond local control and required the resources of the State of New Mexico to minimize economic or physical harm and to take actions necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare;

WHEREAS, Governor Susana Martinez declared a state of emergency throughout the State of New Mexico for this disaster on September 1, 2016, and authorized the expenditure of up to \$750,000 in emergency funds to protect the public health, safety, welfare, and property;

WHEREAS, much of these funds were needed to repair vital infrastructure damaged by

the flooding;

WHEREAS, Zia Pueblo has completed Phase 1 (engineering and design) of their infrastructure project, and now needs to complete Phase 2 (construction) of their infrastructure project; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management has confirmed that it is necessary to authorize the release of additional emergency funds to allow Zia Pueblo to complete Phase 2 of their infrastructure project in order to protect public peace, health, and safety.

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 the laws of the State of New Mexico do hereby **DECLARE** a state of emergency to exist in the Zia Pueblo due to the monsoon flooding that occurred on August 20, 2016, and **ORDER** and **DIRECT** as follows:

The Department of Finance and Administration shall make available emergency financial resources in an amount not to exceed two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) to the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management in accordance with NMSA 1978, Sections 12-11-23 to -25, and NMSA 1978, Sections 12-10-14 to -15. The funds shall be expended for the 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 expended in accordance with the policy and procedures of the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, as approved by the Governor or her Authorized Representative.

- 2. The Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management shall coordinate all requests for assistance and responses to such requests under the authority of and as determined by the Governor or her Authorized Representative. In addition to such other eligibility criteria as may be established by the Governor or her Authorized Representative, 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.
- 3. All Cabinet Departments and agencies under gubernatorial control shall 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 Authorized Representative.

## I FURTHER ORDER and DIRECT as follows:

- 1. This Order supersedes any previous orders, proclamations, or directives to the extent they are in conflict.
- 2. This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until all authorized funds are expended or no longer necessary to provide emergency assistance.

ATTEST

MAGGIE TOULOUSE OLIVER

SECRETARY OF STATE

DONE AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE THIS 28TH DAY OF AUGUST 2024

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GOVERNOR

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