



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 01 - 24

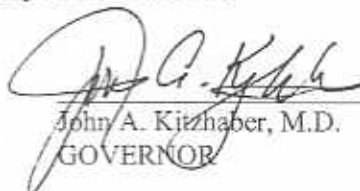
OREGON EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM

The Oregon Emergency Response System, established in 1972 and currently operating under Executive Order EO-91-17, has been the system for the notification, coordination, and management of state resources in response to natural and technological emergencies and civil disorder involving multi-jurisdictional cooperation between all levels of government and the private sector.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

1. The Oregon Emergency Response System shall continue as a 24-hour operation under the management of the Department of State Police, Office of Emergency Management (OEM) as authorized under ORS 401.275
2. The Oregon Emergency Response System shall be the primary point of contact by which any public agency provides the state notification of an emergency or disaster; or a county requests access to state or federal resources to assist in responding to existing conditions.
3. The agencies participating in the Oregon Emergency Response System are those listed in the accompanying Memorandum of Understanding. (Attachment A)
4. All agencies participating in the Oregon Emergency Response System Council are directed to provide cooperative assistance within their resources and authority to other agencies, including but not limited to federal, state, county, city, special districts, and tribal entities in responding to or mitigating hazards that threaten the State of Oregon, pending further directives of the Governor.
5. Executive Order No. EO - 91 - 17 is rescinded.

Done at Salem, Oregon this 4 day of October 2001.


John A. Kitzhaber, M.D.
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


Bill Bradbury
SECRETARY OF STATE



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Oregon Emergency Response System (OERS) has been established to provide and implement procedures for coordinated state agency action in cases involving natural or technological hazards or civil disorder.

The Oregon Emergency Response System requires coordinated effort among various agencies of the State of Oregon. The signatories of this document, in consideration of the following mutual promises and covenants agree and understand:

1. The Oregon Emergency Response System shall be a coordinated effort among signatory agencies. Its effectiveness depends upon coordination with agencies among local, state, and federal governments as well as the private sector.
2. The scope of activities for Oregon Emergency Response System shall be defined by an OERS Council with designated representatives of each signatory. The role of the Council is to promote cooperation and consistency in emergency planning, response, mitigation, and recovery. The representatives, which include either division administrators or program managers, are identified on a membership roster attached to this document. Representatives may be changed by the Department Director without affecting the provisions of this agreement.
3. The function of the Council is to establish planning guidelines, review procedures, develop criteria for the provision of call lists and notification of personnel through the Oregon Emergency Response System, and to advise the Oregon Emergency Management Division on changes necessary to improve or update Oregon's emergency plans, policies, and procedures.
4. The Council shall be chaired by the Office of Emergency Management OERS Program Manager who is responsible for the updating process of OERS plans, guidelines, procedures, call-lists, and for the dissemination of information to participating agencies.
5. Technical advisory committees may be established to review state agency response to any event, identify special problems or issues, and/or advise on options to improve the overall statewide emergency services system.
6. No single agency will, in all cases, have the necessary resources or authority to carry out all response activities for an emergency or disaster. Therefore, coordination among agencies is essential. The Council endorses the Oregon Emergency Response System as a cooperative and unified effort which supports the individual agency responsibilities. Interagency agreements may periodically be reviewed by the OERS Council in order to ensure consistency and continuity with goals and objectives.

7. Preparedness for future incidents or emergency situations will be enhanced by the establishment of an after-action review, reporting process, and the development of training and exercises. Each agency will participate in OERS sponsored training as appropriate.

8. Public Information requires coordination and cooperation among affected agencies. The signatory state agencies agree to develop and maintain public information protocols relevant to their agencies responsibilities for hazards addressed in ORS 401.025(4).

SIGNATORIES:

Members of the Oregon Emergency Response System Council indicate their review of and support for the Executive Order and Memorandum of Understanding through their signatures affixed below:

 Ann Crook, Director Department of Aviation	 Phil Ward, Director Oregon Department of Agriculture
 Rick Willis, Executive Director Public Utility Commission	 Mary Neidig, Director Department of Consumer and Business Services
 Ronald C. Ruecker, Superintendent Department of State Police	 Hardy Myers, Attorney General Oregon Department of Justice
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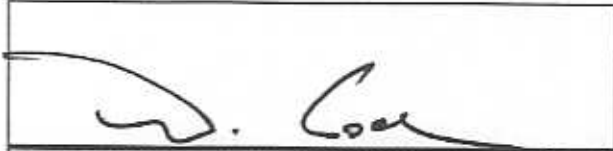
~~Paul R. Cleary~~
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Water Resources Department

~~Stephanie Hallock~~
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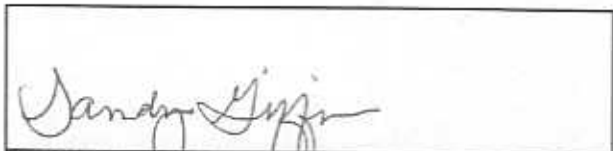
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Mike Greenfield, Director
Department of Administrative Services

~~Ann Hanus~~
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David S. Cook, Director
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Sandy Giffin, Department Director
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