



State of New Mexico

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2024-158

AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY FUNDS FOR THE NEW MEXICO NATIONAL GUARD

WHEREAS, the State recently experienced numerous wildfires and natural disasters that have destroyed hundreds of structures, burnt hundreds of thousands of acres, and displaced many New Mexicans;

WHEREAS, I have issued numerous executive orders declaring emergencies relating to some of these disasters, including Executive Orders 2022-017, 2022-018, 2022-019, 2022-020, 2022-021, 2022-025, 2024-033, 2024-034, 2024-035, and 2024-155;

WHEREAS, the New Mexico National Guard plays a key role in responding to natural disasters;

WHEREAS, when resources of the New Mexico National Guard are needed in support of civil emergencies and disasters, including search and rescue missions, this support must be immediately deployable;

WHEREAS, funding for National Guard assets must be in place prior to any mission assignment to assure a rapid and unhindered deployment in time of need; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico National Guard requires additional funding to continue its efforts to protect public peace, health, and safety in the aftermath of recent disasters and assure a rapid and unhindered deployment in time of need for future emergencies.

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 State of New Mexico, and **ORDER** and **DIRECT** as follows:

1. The Department of Finance and Administration shall make available emergency financial resources in an amount not to exceed seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000.00) to the New Mexico National Guard in accordance with NMSA 1978, Sections 12-11-23 to -25, and NMSA 1978, Sections 12-10-14 to -15. Such funds shall be expended for the purposes of avoiding or minimizing economic and physical harm; protecting the public health, safety, welfare; and providing emergency and disaster relief, including but not limited to the payment of any expense incident to the provision of humanitarian relief and other assistance to civil authorities. Such funds shall be paid out upon warrants drawn by the Secretary of Finance and Administration upon vouchers approved by the Governor, or an agent or agency designated by her for that purpose.

2. The Adjutant General shall 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 to -8, NMSA 1978, Sections 20-2-1 to -8, NMSA 1978, Section 20-3-2(E), and NMSA 1978, Sections 20-4-1 to -14. Such emergency assistance shall be provided during the period of need at the discretion of the Governor or her 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 6TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2024

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



MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM
GOVERNOR

