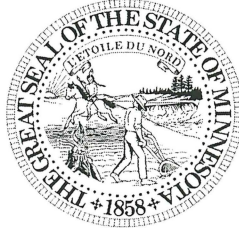


STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



MARK DAYTON
GOVERNOR

Emergency Executive Order 15-16

Providing Assistance through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact

I, Mark Dayton, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

Whereas, on August 19, 2015, the State of Washington was managing suppression of fifteen different active fire complexes throughout their state; and

Whereas, the fire danger rating is at red flag conditions throughout the northwest part of the country and is expected to remain extreme for the next several days; taxing fire suppression resources and mutual aid throughout the region; and

Whereas, the State of Washington, and surrounding states do not have adequate aviation resources for widespread wildfire suppression; and

Whereas, the State of Washington has requested fire suppression and support assets from the Minnesota National Guard through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact; and

Whereas, Minnesota is a member of the Emergency Management Assistance Compact per Minnesota Statute, section 192.89.

Now, Therefore, I hereby order that:

1. The Adjutant General of Minnesota order to state active duty on or about August 20, 2015, in the service of the State, such personnel and equipment of the military forces of the State as required and for such period of time as necessary to support wildfire suppression in Washington state;

2. The Adjutant General is authorized to purchase, lease, or contract goods and services necessary to accomplish the mission; and
3. The cost of subsistence, transportation, fuel, pay, and allowances of said individuals shall be defrayed from the general fund of the State, as provided for in Minnesota Statutes, sections 192.49, 192.52, 192.54, and as otherwise permitted by law, to be reimbursed by the State of Washington per Minnesota Statutes, section 192.89.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 4.035, subdivision 2, this Emergency Order is effective immediately and will remain in effect until such date as elements of the military forces of the State are no longer required.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand on this 21st day of August, 2015.



Mark Dayton
Governor

Filed According to Law



Steve Simon
Secretary of State

