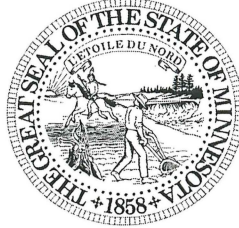


STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



MARK DAYTON
GOVERNOR

Emergency Executive Order 15 - 05

Providing for Assistance to the Minnesota Interagency Fire Center

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 Thursday, April 2nd, the Minnesota Interagency Fire Center (MIFC) was managing suppression of more than twenty wildfires;

Whereas, the National Weather Service has issued Red Flag Fire weather warnings for all of Minnesota, except the northwest and southeast portions, due to dry conditions, high temperatures, low humidity, and strong winds that have been exacerbated by the lack of snow cover and an early spring, and these conditions are expected to remain extreme for the next several days;

Whereas, interstate support is unavailable at this time due to similar conditions across the region;

Whereas, state agencies, the State Emergency Operations Center, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, and the MIFC do not have adequate aviation resources for widespread wildfire suppression; and

Whereas, the MIFC has requested fire suppression and support assets from the Minnesota National Guard.

Now, Therefore, I hereby order that:

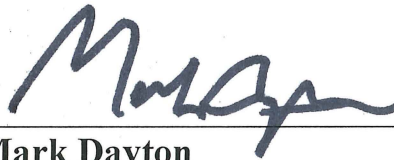
1. The Adjutant General of Minnesota order to state active duty on or about April 2, 2015, in the service of the State, such personnel and equipment of the military forces of the State as

required and for such period of time as necessary to support wildfire suppression in Minnesota.

2. The Adjutant General is authorized to purchase, lease, or contract goods and services necessary to accomplish the mission.
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.

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 3rd day of April 2015.



Mark Dayton
Governor

Filed According to Law



Steve Simon
Secretary of State

