

State of Montana
Office of the Governor
Executive Order No. 21 – 2010

EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING AN EMERGENCY TO EXIST
IN PETROLEUM COUNTY, MONTANA

WHEREAS, in early June 2010 an unusual sequence of storms saturated soils and raised stream levels to flood stage throughout Petroleum County; and

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2010 heavy rainfall resulted in flash flooding across much of the County causing damage to roads, culverts and bridges; and

WHEREAS, preliminary damage assessments have been conducted by local officials with assistance from the Disaster and Emergency Services Division; and

WHEREAS, the roads and bridges that are damaged are essential for the health, safety and welfare of residents of the County; and

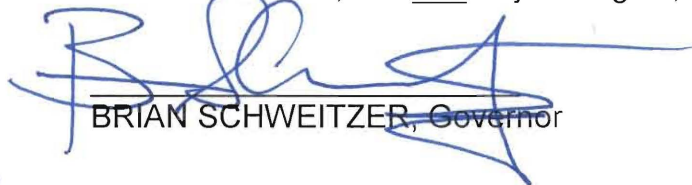
WHEREAS, the Commissioners for Petroleum County declared a disaster to exist for this event on June 18, 2010 and levied the two (2) mill emergency levy to help restore services and make the permanent repairs; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners for Petroleum County have sent the Governor a letter requesting supplemental disaster relief from the State of Montana; and

WHEREAS, a declaration of an emergency authorizes the Governor under § 10-3-311, MCA, to expend funds from the general fund to meet contingencies and needs arising from these conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SCHWEITZER, Governor of the State of Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Montana Constitution, Title 10, Chapter 3, MCA, and other applicable laws of the State of Montana, do hereby declare under § 10-3-302, MCA, that an emergency, as defined in § 10-3-103, MCA, exists in Petroleum County, Montana, and authorize the incurring of liabilities and expenses to be paid as other claims against the State from the general fund, pursuant to § 10-3-311, MCA. This Order is effective June 18, 2010.

Given under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the
State of Montana, this 9th day of August, 2010.



BRIAN SCHWEITZER, Governor

Attest:



LINDA MCCULLOCH, Secretary of State