STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 11-2013

EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING A DISASTER TO EXIST TO ACTIVATE MONTANA RESOURCES IN SUPPORT OF THE STATE OF COLORADO DUE TO SEVERE FLOODING

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado experienced severe storms, flooding, landslides and mudslides from September 11, 2013 to September 30, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the storms have created destruction and devastation throughout the Colorado Counties of Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Clear Creek, El Paso, Jefferson, Larimer, Logan, Morgan, Washington and Weld; and

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado has been severely impacted by this disaster event and it has requested and received a Major Disaster Declaration (DR-4145), from the President; and

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado has committed all of its resources in an attempt to provide for the immediate needs of disaster victims and to assist in restoring essential government services; and

WHEREAS, the State of Montana is a member of the Emergency Management Assistance Compact ("EMAC"), pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. Title 10, chapter 3, part 10, through which member states provide mutual assistance to each other when requested in response to disasters that overextend the ability of the requesting state to reduce, counteract, or remove the danger; and

WHEREAS, due to the destruction and devastation from the flooding in Colorado, the State of Colorado has requested mutual aid from the State of Montana pursuant to the EMAC, and the State of Montana desires and is able to provide assistance as requested; and

WHEREAS, these conditions warrant the Governor to mobilize state resources, including but not limited to the Montana National Guard, under the terms and conditions of the EMAC, § 10-3-1001, MCA, and under the terms and conditions of a supplementary agreement with the State of Colorado pursuant to which the State of Colorado will reimburse the costs incurred by the State of Montana in providing assistance, to meet the needs of the State of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has authority under Mont. Code Ann. Title 10, Chapter 3, to mobilize state resources in the event of a disaster.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steve Bullock, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor under the Constitution and the laws of the State of Montana,

do hereby declare that a disaster exists warranting the activation of Montana state resources in support of the State of Colorado. This Order is effective October 7, 2013.



GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this day of October, 2013.

Steve Bullock, Governor

ATTEST:

Linda McCulloch, Secretary of State