

STATE OF MONTANA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 07-2013

**EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING AN EMERGENCY
TO EXIST IN THE STATE OF MONTANA**

WHEREAS, the North American Rainbow Family Gathering of 2013 is holding their annual event in Beaverhead County, Montana; and

WHEREAS, the Rainbow Family is a group of individuals consisting of peace activists who generally gather in large numbers on National Forest Lands; and

WHEREAS, this annual gathering started on June 17, 2013 and will continue into July 2013; and

WHEREAS, Beaverhead County has requested state assistance for planning and response to this gathering as local resources are not sufficient to meet the conditions; and

WHEREAS, this gathering may cause life threatening situations and imminent threats to the public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the availability and utilization of all necessary state government services, equipment and supplies under this proclamation will further the efforts to protect health and safety and to preserve the lives, property and resources of the people of the State of Montana; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVE BULLOCK, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor under the Constitution of the State of Montana, Title 10, Chapter 3, MCA, and under other applicable statutes, do hereby declare that an Emergency exists in the State of Montana.

This Order is effective July 1, 2013.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of
the State of Montana, this 1st day of July, 2013



STEVE BULLOCK, Governor

ATTESTED:



LINDA MCCULLOCH, Secretary of State