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Executive Order 19

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Office of the Governor

BOB RILEY
Governor



STATE OF
ALABAMA

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WHEREAS, various natural and technological hazards have caused devastating societal, physical and economic losses across the State and will inevitably continue to do so; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of hazard mitigation policies and strategies will significantly reduce human suffering, property damages, and economic losses from natural and technological disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000), signed by the President (Public Law 106-390) requires all States to adopt State Hazard Mitigation Plans in order to receive federal assistance under the Stafford Act for disasters declared after November 1, 2004; and

WHEREAS, federal disaster mitigation legislation places additional responsibilities upon the State Hazard Mitigation Council for the development of the State Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Hazard Mitigation Council has expanded its original membership, and additional tasks have been imposed upon Alabama state agencies since its creation in 2001.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bob Riley, Governor of the State of Alabama, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of Alabama, and for other good and valid reasons, which relate thereto, do hereby rescind Executive Order No. 46, dated March 16, 2001, and by this Executive Order, re-establish the State Hazard Mitigation Council.

BE IT ORDERED that the Alabama Hazard Mitigation Council (hereinafter

the Council shall be comprised of the following members:

The Governor or his designee who shall serve as Chair;

The Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Industries;

The Attorney General;

The Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Conservation & Natural Resources; The Director of the Department of Economic and Community Affairs;

The Director of the Emergency Management Agency;

The Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Environmental Management;

The State Forester of the Alabama Forestry Commission; The Office of the State Geologist; The State Historical Preservation Officer;

The Commissioner of the Insurance Department;

The Director of the Governor's Legal Council Office;

The Director of the Alabama Department of Public Health;

The Director of the Governor's Public Information Office;

The Director of the Alabama Department of Public Safety;

The Commissioner of the Alabama Public Service Commission;

The Secretary of State; and

The Director of the Department of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the following serve as Council members:

The Director of the Alabama Association of Regional Councils;

The Director of the Alabama League of Municipalities;

The Director of the Association of County Commissioners;

The Director of Indian Affairs;

The Chief of the U.S. Corps of Engineers; and

The Director of the Choctawhatchee, Pea and Yellow Rivers Watershed

Management Authority.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that Council members may appoint a designee to serve on the committee whereas the designee has the full power and authority of the Council member.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the Governor or Chair may appoint additional Council members at a later date.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the following non-state agencies designate a point of contact to provide information as requested by the Council:

American Red Cross;

Military Department;

National Weather Service, Birmingham;

National Weather Service, Huntsville;

National Weather Service, Mobile;

National Weather Service, Tallahassee;

U. S. Air Force, Maxwell Air Force base;

U. S. Army, Fort Rucker Army Post; and

USDA Forest Service.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that representative(s) from all state agencies are encouraged to attend Council meetings.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that all state agencies will participate in the development of the Alabama Hazard Mitigation Plan by providing services as directed by the Council.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that agencies, businesses, citizens, profit, non-profit and other interested parties are encouraged to participate in the development of the Alabama Hazard Mitigation Plan by providing comments and information via meetings, surveys, questionnaires, or other means.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the Council shall assist in the prioritization and selection of hazard and pre-disaster mitigation grant program project applications.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the Council shall meet upon the call of the Chair and shall remain in place until the 5-year plan update to the

Alabama Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved by FEMA.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the Council shall prepare a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approved standard Alabama Hazard Mitigation Plan that meets the requirements of Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000), signed by the President (Public Law 106-390).

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that this Executive Order shall become effective immediately upon the Governor's signature and shall remain in effect until amended or modified by the Governor.

DONE AND ORDER this 24th day of February, 2004

Bob Riley

Governor

Attested:

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