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OHIO EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN PROMULGATION

The welfare and safety of Ohio citizens is severely threatened during disasters. The goal of emergency management is to ensure that in disaster response, mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery actions the State effectively functions so that public welfare and safety is restored and preserved. The Ohio Emergency Operations Plan is an integral element of the State's emergency management response effort.

The Ohio Emergency Operations Plan provides a comprehensive framework for statewide emergency management. It addresses the roles and responsibilities of state government organizations and provides a link to federal, local and private organizations and resources that may be activated to respond to disasters and emergencies in Ohio.

State agencies cooperate with the Ohio Department of Public Safety, through the Emergency Management Agency, in an ongoing planning process that produces an effective framework for coordinating the delivery of state assistance to local governments. State agencies have demonstrated repeatedly that they can work effectively together to achieve the common goal of efficient and timely disaster and recovery response operations.

The Ohio Emergency Operations Plan ensures consistency with current policy guidance, and describes interrelationships among levels of government. This Plan will continue to evolve and will incorporate lessons learned from actual disasters, ongoing state planning efforts, training and exercise activities, and federal guidance. I am confident that it will continue to serve as a basis for improving inter-agency coordination, and for strengthening relationships among all of our emergency management partners.

Therefore, in recognition of the emergency management responsibilities of state government and with the authority vested in me as the Chief Executive Officer of the State of Ohio, I hereby promulgate the Ohio Emergency Operations Plan.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike DeWine".

Mike DeWine
Governor
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