

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY
July 2021 Coconino Flooding

WHEREAS, in July of 2019, a wildfire designated as the Museum Fire burned acreage near Elden Mountain in the eastern portion of the City of Flagstaff, resulting in significant burn scars in the area; and

WHEREAS, starting on July 13, 2021, rainfall fell onto the Museum Fire burn; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2021, the National Weather Service reported that approximately 1 inch of rain fell, on already-saturated ground, in approximately one hour in the burn scar area; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2021, the National Weather Service reported that between 2.17 inches and 2.72 inches of rain fell, on already-saturated ground, in approximately one hour in the area south of Elden Mountain; and

WHEREAS, flood water and debris flows have impacted roads resulting in closures; and

WHEREAS, additional flash flooding is expected in Mt. Elden Estates, Paradise, Grandview, and Sunnyside neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, severe post-fire flood impacts to local communities have occurred due to this rainfall event, including, but not limited to, damages to private property, and roadway and drainage system damages; and

WHEREAS, additional precipitation is being forecast by the National Weather Service to continue for several days over the Museum Fire burn scar area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Flagstaff and Coconino County have activated their Joint Emergency Operations Center and have an Incident Management Team actively planning, responding, and coordinating resources and support for this ongoing event; and

WHEREAS, the Governor is authorized to declare an emergency pursuant to A.R.S. §26.303(D).

NOW, THEREFORE I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, do hereby determine that this situation justifies a declaration of a State of Emergency, pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-303(D), and I do hereby:

- a. Declare that a State of Emergency exists in Coconino County, due to flood damage, effective July 14, 2021, and continuing; and
- b. Direct that the sum of \$200,000.00 from the general fund be made available to the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management to be expended in

accordance with A.R.S. § 35-192, A.A.C. R8-2-301 to 321, and Executive Order 79-4; and

- c. Direct that the State of Arizona Emergency Response and Recovery Plan be used to direct and control state and other assets and authorize the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management to coordinate state assets.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.



Douglas R. Jucey

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this sixteenth day of July in the Year Two Thousand Twenty-one and of the independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Sixth.

ATTEST:

[Signature]

Secretary of State