

# Executive Document

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## **Governor, Administration: Governor's Executive Order 2005-0021: Declaring a State of Emergency from Spring Runoff and Flooding in Duchesne County**

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### EXECUTIVE ORDER

Declaring a State of Emergency from Spring Runoff and Flooding in Duchesne County

WHEREAS, beginning on or about April 15, 2005, and continuing to June 23, 2005, severe spring runoff and mudslides in the watershed caused flooding along all drainage systems in Duchesne County, Utah;

WHEREAS, the peak flows on these rivers were at or near their historical highs;

WHEREAS, these floods have caused severe damage to public roads, bridges, and riverbanks in many areas;

WHEREAS, several area reservoirs were completely full and in danger of overtopping, and debris in the river channels was creating a continuing hazard to public safety in Duchesne County, Utah;

WHEREAS, immediate attention was necessary to alleviate the situation which threatened the safety, health, and welfare of the citizens of Duchesne County;

WHEREAS, these conditions created a disaster emergency within the intent of the Disaster Response and Recovery Act of 1981; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jon M. Huntsman, Jr., Governor of the State of Utah;

DO HEREBY ORDER that a "State of Emergency" exists due to the aforesaid spring runoff and flooding in Duchesne County, and that such area is declared to be a disaster requiring aid, assistance, and relief available pursuant to the provisions of State statutes, and the State Emergency Operations Plan, which is hereby activated.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Utah this 8th day of November, 2005.

(State Seal)

Jon M. Huntsman, Jr.  
Governor

ATTEST:

Gary R. Herbert  
Lieutenant Governor

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