

# Executive Document

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## **Governor, Administration: Governor's Executive Order 2004-0008: Wildland Fire Management**

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### EXECUTIVE ORDER

#### Wildland Fire Management

WHEREAS, the danger from wildland fires is extremely high throughout the state of Utah;

WHEREAS, numerous wildland fires are burning and continue to burn in various areas statewide and present a serious threat to public safety, property, natural resources and the environment;

WHEREAS, some of the areas are extremely remote and inaccessible and the situation has the potential to worsen greatly if left unattended;

WHEREAS, immediate action is required to suppress these fires as they occur and mitigate post-burn flash floods to protect public safety, property, natural resources and the environment; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Olene S. Walker, Governor of the state of Utah by virtue of the power vested in me by the constitution and the laws of the state of Utah, do hereby order that:

It is found, determined and declared that a "State of Emergency" exists statewide due to the threat to public safety, property, natural resources and the environment for thirty days, effective as of September 10, 2004, 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. Done in Salt Lake City, Utah, this 10th day of September, 2004.

(State Seal)

OLENE S. WALKER  
Governor

ATTEST:

GAYLE F. MCKEACHNIE  
Lieutenant Governor

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