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## EXECUTIVE ORDER

Declaring a State of Emergency from Spring Storms and Rapid Snowmelt Flooding In Uintah County and Iron County

WHEREAS, beginning in May 2005, Uintah County and Iron County experienced floods and rapid run-off as a result of extremely heavy rains and fast snowmelt.

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

WHEREAS, these floods have caused riverbank erosion and severe damage to public roads and bridges;

WHEREAS, as a consequence of the continuous threat of floods, immediate attention is necessary to alleviate the situation which threatens the safety, health, and welfare of the citizens of Uintah County and Iron County;

WHEREAS, these conditions satisfy the criteria for a disaster emergency within 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 storms and flooding in Uintah County and Iron County, and that such areas are 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 June, 2005.

(State Seal)

Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. Governor

ATTEST:

Gary R. Herbert Lieutenant Governor

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