

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN BOX ELDER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, commencing on or about February 7, 2017 Box Elder County began to suffer and is continuing to suffer severe damage due to recurring flooding from heavy rain, snow and snowpack runoff; and

WHEREAS, the damage from this flooding is ongoing and increasing, and is expected to continue for the next several days and weeks; and

WHEREAS, this flooding has already caused serious damage to roads, culverts, homes, businesses, utilities, other private and public facilities and agricultural activities; and

WHEREAS, this flooding has caused a condition in Box Elder County which requires that emergency assistance be provided by Box Elder County to save lives and protect property within its jurisdiction in response to this disaster and avoid the threat of increased disaster; and

WHEREAS, emergency response operations continue throughout Box Elder County and are severely straining the resources of all responding agencies, and an emergency operations plan is in effect; and

WHEREAS, the cost and magnitude of responding to and recovering from the impact of this flooding is far in excess of Box Elder County's available resources; and


WHEREAS, Box Elder County is a political subdivision of the State of Utah; and

WHEREAS, these conditions do create and constitute a "local emergency" as defined by §53-2a-201 through §53-2a-214 of the Utah Code; and


NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §53-2a-208 of the Utah Code, on behalf of the citizens of Box Elder County, Commissioner Jeff Hadfield, Chairman of the Box Elder County Commission and acting as the chief executive officer of Box Elder County, declares Box Elder County to be in a state of "Local Emergency," requiring the aid, assistance and relief available pursuant to the provisions of local, state and federal laws.



ATTEST:

  
Marla Young  
Box Elder County Clerk

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Jeff Hadfield, Chairman  
Box Elder County Commission