

EXECUTIVE ORDER 25-20

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2025, Executive Order 25-19 invoked the provisions of Sections 44.100 and 44.110, RSMo, and declared that a State of Emergency exists in the State of Missouri due to ongoing and forecast severe storm systems; and

WHEREAS, I have been advised by the State Emergency Management Agency that the severe weather has caused damages associated with high winds and tornados impacting communities throughout the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the severe weather created a condition of distress and hazards to the safety and welfare of the citizens of the State of Missouri beyond the capabilities of some local jurisdictions and other established agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is charged by law with protecting and enhancing the quality of Missouri's environment and with enforcing environmental rules and regulations; and


WHEREAS, in order to respond to the emergency and expedite the cleanup and recovery process, it is necessary to adjust certain environmental rules and regulations on a temporary and short-term basis.

NOW THEREFORE, I, MIKE KEHOE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Chapter 44, RSMo, do hereby issue the following order:

The Director of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is vested with full discretionary authority to temporarily waive or suspend the operation of any statutory or administrative rule or regulation currently in place under their purview in order to best serve the interests of the public health and safety during the period of the emergency and the subsequent recovery period.

This Order shall terminate on April 14, 2025, unless extended in whole or in part.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, on this 20th day of March, 2025.


MIKE KEHOE
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


DENNY HOSKINS
SECRETARY OF STATE

