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Governor Bullock Declares Flood Emergency for State of Montana

Helena – Governor Steve Bullock declared a flood emergency for the state of Montana today. The declaration comes after recent heavy snowfall, along with warm temperatures causing rapid snow melt.

The declaration allows Bullock to mobilize state resources and the Montana National Guard, as well as expend funds to meet the contingencies and needs that may arise from the emergency.

"Flooding is impacting Montana communities across the state," said Bullock. "This declaration will give the state the flexibility and resources to respond quickly and ensure the safety of Montanans."

Over the last two weeks, communities across Montana have seen record levels of snowfall, which, combined with warming temperatures has caused flooding throughout the state. Currently, 30 of Montana's counties are under a flood watch, warning or advisory.

The Governor's declaration covers the entire state of Montana.

The executive order declaring the emergency can be found at: http://governor.mt.gov/docs/EO-3-2014 State of Montana Emergency Delclaration Flooding.pdf

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