## **Executive Orders**

The governor has the authority to issue written statements of orders, called Executive Orders, as well as Emergency Executive Orders. The governor's authority is specified in the *Constitution of the State of Minnesota*, Article V, and in *Minnesota Statutes* 4.035. Emergency Executive Orders, for protection from an imminent threat to health and safety, become effective immediately, are filed with the secretary of state, and published in the *State Register* as soon as possible after they are issued. Other Executive Orders become effective 15 days after publication in the *State Register* and filing with the secretary of state. Unless otherwise specified, an executive order expires 90 days after the date the governor who issued the order vacates office.

## Office of the Governor

## **Emergency Executive Order #02-07: Providing for Assistance to Northwestern Minnesota Counties**

**I, JESSE VENTURA, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA,** by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, heavy rains have saturated Northwest Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, major overland flooding is threatening several counties in Northwest Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, these conditions threaten to inflict widespread and considerable damage to the public infrastructure as well as to homes, farms, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, as a result, there is a threat to public safety for citizens in Northwest Minnesota;

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:

- 1. The Adjutant General of Minnesota order to state active duty on or about June 23, 2002, in the service of the State, such personnel and equipment of the military forces of the State as required and for such period of time as necessary to protect the lives and property of the citizens of Kittson, Mahnomen, Marshall, Norman, Polk, and Roseau counties from flooding.
- 2. The Adjutant General is authorized to purchase, lease or contract goods or services necessary to accomplish the mission.
- 3. The cost of subsistence, transportation, fuel, pay and allowances of said individuals shall by defrayed from the general fund of the State, as provided for in *Minnesota Statutes 2000*, Sections 192.49, subd. 1; 192.51 and 192.52.

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* 2000, Section 4.035, subd. 2, this Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until such date as elements of the military forces of the State are no longer required or the flooding conditions no longer pose a threat to life and property.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,** I have set my hand this 24th day of June, 2002.

JESSE VENTURA

Gøvernor

Filed According to Law:

Secretary of State