STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



MARK DAYTON GOVERNOR

Emergency Executive Order 17-03

Declaring an Emergency and Providing Assistance for Search and Rescue

I, Mark Dayton, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

Whereas, three canoeists have been missing for four days in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area (BWCA) and sent a distress text message the evening of June 1, 2017;

Whereas, the St. Louis County Sheriff is conducting search and rescue operations for the lost persons;

Whereas, the Minnesota State Patrol is providing an aircraft to help with the search; and

Whereas, the St. Louis County Sheriff has requested the assistance of the Minnesota National Guard to provide additional aerial support for the search and rescue operation.

Now, Therefore, I hereby order that:

- 1. The Adjutant General of Minnesota was ordered to state active duty on or about June 1, 2017, in the service of the State and to provide such personnel and equipment of the military forces of the State as required and for such period of time as necessary to provide assistance and emergency relief services.
- 2. The Adjutant General is authorized to purchase, lease or contract for goods and services necessary to accomplish the mission.
- 3. The cost of subsistence, transportation, fuel, pay and allowances of said individuals shall be defrayed from the general fund of the State, as provided for in Minnesota Statutes, sections 192.49, subdivisions 1 and 2; 192.52; and 192.54, and as otherwise permitted by law.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 4.035, subdivision 2, this Peacetime Emergency Executive Order is effective immediately and must be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the State Register as soon as possible after its issuance. It remains in effect until such date as elements of the military forces of the State are no longer required.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand on this 2nd day of June, 2017.

Mark Dayton
Governor

Filed According to Law:

Steve Simon

Secretary of State