

STATE OF MINNESOTA

Executive Department



Governor Tim Walz

Emergency Executive Order 23-10

Providing National Guard Assistance to the State of Louisiana to Support Firefighting Operations

I, Tim Walz, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, issue the following Executive Order:

The State of Louisiana is experiencing abnormally high temperatures, historic drought, and dangerous wildfire conditions. Due to these conditions, there have been multiple wildfires that have taxed state and local firefighting resources.

Local, parish, and state governments do not have adequate resources to meet the demands caused by the wildfires, and Louisiana Governor John Bel Edwards has declared a state of emergency affecting multiple parishes.

The State of Louisiana has requested Minnesota Army National Guard aviation support under the Emergency Management Assistance Compact to supplement local resources.

For these reasons, I order as follows:

1. The Adjutant General will order to state active duty on September 05, 2023 the people, equipment, and facilities needed to support emergency aerial operations in Louisiana.
2. The Adjutant General is authorized to procure the goods and services needed to accomplish the mission.
3. The Adjutant General is authorized to enter into any supplementary agreements with the State of Louisiana necessary to accomplish the mission.
4. The costs of this assistance shall be paid from the general fund as allowed by Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 192.52.

This Executive Order is effective immediately under Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 4.035, subdivision 2, and remains in effect until such date as National Guard resources are no longer required or until October 15, 2023, whichever occurs first.

A determination that any provision of this Executive Order is invalid will not affect the enforceability of any other provision of this Executive Order. Rather, the invalid provision will be modified to the extent necessary so that it is enforceable.

Signed on September 1, 2023.



Tim Walz
Governor

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