



STATE OF MICHIGAN
EXECUTIVE OFFICE
LANSING

RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

BRIAN CALLEY
LT. GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER
No. 2012-8

**ACTIVATION OF NATIONAL GUARD TO LUCE COUNTY
and SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 vests the executive power of the state of Michigan in the Governor; and

WHEREAS, Under Section 12 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 the Governor is the Commander-in-Chief of the state armed forces and may call them out to execute the laws; and

WHEREAS, Section 151 of the Michigan Military Act, No. 150 of the Public Acts of 1967, MCL 32.551, authorizes the Governor to order to activate state service any members of the organized militia for service in the aid of civil authority in times of public danger, disaster, crisis, catastrophe, or other public emergency within the state; and

WHEREAS, by Executive Proclamation, on May 25, 2012, the Governor declared a state of disaster in Luce County and Schoolcraft County due to a wildfire that had consumed over 19,000 acres of land, causing severe damage and loss of property; and

WHEREAS, the wildfire continues to grow due to exceptionally dry and hot weather conditions and shifting wind patterns; and

WHEREAS, additional assistance is needed to supplement existing firefighting capabilities to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe, and to protect and preserve the lives and property, and public health and safety in Luce County and Schoolcraft County;

WHEREAS, by Executive Proclamation, on May 25, 2012, the Governor directed, consistent with the Michigan Emergency Management Plan, that the Director of the Department of State Police, or her designee within the Department of State Police, coordinate and maximize all state efforts to assist political subdivisions and officials in Luce County and Schoolcraft County, and has authority to call upon all state departments and agencies to utilize available

resources, including, but not limited to, manpower, supplies, equipment, materials, or facilities, to assist with response to the state of disaster;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD D. SNYDER, Governor of the state of Michigan, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Governor by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, order:

1. THE ADJUTANT GENERAL is directed to order to active state service, units and individuals of the Michigan National Guard that in his discretion he deems appropriate to meet general mission assignments as determined by the Director of the Department of State Police, or her designee within the Department of State Police.

2. The Director of the Department of State Police, or her designee within the Department of State Police shall coordinate and maximize all state efforts, including such units and individuals of the Michigan National Guard that may be activated to state service, to assist Luce County and Schoolcraft County and other units of government affected pursuant to the Michigan Emergency Management Plan.

3. The Michigan National Guard is activated until such time as determined by the Adjutant General, after consultation with the Director of the Department of State Police, or her designee within the Department of State Police.

This Order is effective upon filing.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the state of Michigan this twenty-fifth day of May in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twelve.

Handwritten signature of Richard D. Snyder in cursive.

RICHARD D. SNYDER
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Handwritten signature of Ruth Johnson in cursive.

SECRETARY OF STATE

FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE

ON 5/25/12 AT 5:20 P.M.