

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

January 26, 2018

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 37

PROMULGATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Emergency Management Act, specifically, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 166A-19.10(b)(7), authorizes the Governor to utilize the services, equipment, supplies, and facilities of existing departments, offices, and agencies of the State and local governments in planning for and responding to emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Emergency Management Act, specifically, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 166A-19.10(b)(7), requires the officers and personnel of all such departments, offices, and agencies to cooperate with and extend such services and facilities to the Governor upon request; and

WHEREAS, the functions of the State Emergency Management Program include preparation and maintenance of state plans for disasters; and

WHEREAS, the facilitation of a coordinated, effective relief and recovery effort among state and local government entities and agencies is necessary.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of North Carolina, **IT IS ORDERED**:

Section 1.

All State and local government entities are directed to cooperate in the implementation of the provisions of the North Carolina Emergency Operations Plan ("the Plan").

Section 2.

I hereby delegate to Erik A. Hooks, the Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Public Safety ("the Secretary"), or his designee, all power and authority granted to and required of me by Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes for the purposes of promulgating and implementing the Plan.

Section 3.

The Secretary shall make necessary changes to the Plan with appropriate coordination and shall similarly promulgate additional annexes and appendices as required.

Section 4.

The Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Public Safety, as chief coordinating officer for the State of North Carolina, shall exercise the powers prescribed in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143B-602.

Section 5.

This executive order supersedes Executive Order No. 11, *Promulgation and Implementation of the North Carolina Emergency Operations Plan*, which was issued on May 21, 2013. This order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until rescinded or superseded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in the City of Raleigh, this 26th day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen.

Roy Cooper Governor

ATTEST:

Elaine F. Marshall Secretary of State