A PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS beginning on February 27, 2014, a series of severe rainstorms brought excessive precipitation and wind to the County of Los Angeles, and the effects of these storms continue; and

WHEREAS the effects of these storms caused severe damage to and closure of, major transportation infrastructure, including state highways, state routes, and local roadways in Los Angeles County; and

WHEREAS these storms also caused evacuations, loss of property, debris and mud flow, rockslides, flooding, and blocked culverts in Los Angeles County; and

WHEREAS on March 7, 2014, the County of Los Angeles proclaimed a local Emergency and requested that I proclaim a State of Emergency for the County of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS the circumstances of the storm damage, by reason of its magnitude, is or is likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of any single county, city and county, or city and require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to combat; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of section 8558(b) of the California Government Code, I find that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property exist within the County of Los Angeles due to these events.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes, including the California Emergency Services Act, and in particular, section 8625 of the California Government Code, HEREBY PROCLAIM A STATE OF EMERGENCY to exist within the County of Los Angeles.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Caltrans shall formally request immediate assistance through the Federal Highway Administration's Emergency Relief Program, Title 23, United States Code section 125, in order to obtain federal assistance for highway repairs or reconstruction in the County of Los Angeles.

2. All agencies of the state government utilize and employ state personnel, equipment and facilities for the performance of any and all activities related to this state of emergency consistent with the direction of the Governor's Office of Emergency Services and the State Emergency Plan.
I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 29th day of April, 2014

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Governor of California

ATTEST:

DEBRA BOWEN
Secretary of State