SACRAMENTO – Acting Governor Darrell Steinberg today issued an emergency proclamation for Mariposa County due to the effects of the “Rim Fire” in Tuolumne County.

The full text of the emergency proclamation is below:

WHEREAS on August 22, 2013, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. declared a State of Emergency to exist in the County of Tuolumne, due to the wildfire therein; and

WHEREAS the wildfire that started in Tuolumne County has burned over 192,500 acres, making it the sixth largest fire in state history, and it is damaging public and district facilities, including roads and structures, in Mariposa County; and

WHEREAS the wildfire is threatening residences in Mariposa County, necessitating the evacuation of residents, and the opening of emergency shelters; and

WHEREAS on August 27, 2013, Mariposa County declared a local emergency and requested that the Governor proclaim a state of emergency; and

WHEREAS the circumstances of this wildfire, by reason of their magnitude, are or are 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 Mariposa County due to these events.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SENATOR DARRELL STEINBERG, Senate President pro Tempore, acting as Governor of California pursuant to section 12059 of the California Government Code, and 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 Mariposa County.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

All agencies of the state government utilize and employ state personnel, equipment, and facilities for the performance of any and all activities 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 August, 2013.

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SENATOR DARRELL STEINBERG
Senate President pro Tempore
ATTEST:

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DEBRA BOWEN
Secretary of State