



**STATE OF WYOMING EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
EXECUTIVE ORDER**

Order 2024-06

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, as of June 8, 2024, Wyoming State Highway 22, known as Teton Pass, particularly from Wilson mile marker 5.8 to State line mile marker 17.5, has experienced multiple mudslides and catastrophic structural failure at mile marker 12.8; and

WHEREAS, the current conditions affecting highway integrity and structural stability continue to deteriorate, and efforts to reduce further damage must commence immediately; and

WHEREAS, the State's response in support of State infrastructure, facilities, and operations is ongoing, and current road conditions may require further assistance from federal agencies, other states, and county, tribal and local governments; and

WHEREAS, current road conditions may make it difficult or impossible for citizens to obtain the necessities of life, commute for work, or obtain essential services such as police, fire and first aid; and

WHEREAS, the road conditions could constitute an imminent hazard that threatens and endangers the health, safety, economy, and resources of residents of Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, this situation may become too large in scope to be handled by the normal county and municipal operating services in some parts of this State, and the effects of this event may impact resources and capacity statewide; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and statutes of the State of Wyoming, particularly Wyo. Stat. Ann. §§ 19-13-102 and -104, and all amendments and supplements thereto, confer upon the Governor of the State of Wyoming the authority and responsibility of carrying out the provisions of the Wyoming Homeland Security Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of

the State of Wyoming, I, Mark Gordon, do hereby order and direct:

1. The Director of the Office of Homeland Security, in accordance with the homeland security plan and program for this state, to take all appropriate and necessary actions, including but not limited to, coordination of state and federal resources, the partial or full mobilization of homeland security organizations, and personnel in response to and in advance of actual disaster, to ensure the furnishing of adequately trained and equipped forces of homeland security personnel in time of need.
2. The Director of the Wyoming Department of Transportation, in accordance with the transportation plan and program for this state, to take all appropriate and necessary actions, including but not limited to, coordination of state and federal resources, the partial or full mobilization of transportation resources and construction personnel in response to and in advance of actual disaster, to ensure the furnishing of adequately trained and equipped forces of transportation and construction personnel in time of need.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and shall expire upon conclusion of the emergency or when it is rescinded, whichever is earlier.

Given under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Wyoming on this 8th day of June 2024.



Mark Gordon
Governor