

THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: On December 24, 2015, due to a series of severe weather systems that moved through the State of Georgia, a State of Emergency was declared in Fannin, Gilmer and Pickens Counties; and

WHEREAS: Because another series of severe weather systems continues to move through the State of Georgia resulting in excessive rain causing extensive flooding, damages, threats to life, and injuries in Gilmer, Gordon, Macon, Pickens, Towns, Troup and Wilkes Counties; and

WHEREAS: The assistance of the government of the State of Georgia is necessary to protect the public health, preserve the safety of the public, keep property damage to a minimum, and restore the social and economic welfare of these counties; and

WHEREAS: In light of these circumstances and with the authority vested in the Governor by virtue of Article 3, Section 38-3-51, of the Georgia Emergency Management Act of 1981, as amended to issue reasonable orders, rules and regulations as are deemed necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to bring the emergency situation under control within the acknowledged limitations of the powers of the Governor.

NOW THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That the State of Emergency issued on December 24, 2015, is hereby extended to include the following seven (7) counties: Gilmer, Gordon, Macon, Pickens, Towns, Troup and Wilkes.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That all resources of the State of Georgia be made available to assist in the response and recovery activities currently being undertaken in the above mentioned counties, and that the Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security activate the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan.

This Executive Order shall be valid from December 30, 2015, and ending at 12:00 am on January 7, 2016.

This 30th day of December, 2015 at 6:00 AM/PM

Matham Deal GOVERNOR