

## EXECUTIVE ORDER 82-20

### Establishment of a Mt. St. Helens Coordinating Group

The Mt. St. Helens Coordinating Council, established by Executive Order [81-13](#), has accomplished its principal objectives. Yet there remains a continuing need to coordinate mitigation, planning, response, and recovery efforts of the state with local and Federal government agencies and with the private sector and to resolve ongoing problems concerning the management of public activities and hazards in relation to Mt. St. Helens.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, John Spellman, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby establish the Mt. St. Helens Coordinating Group, in order to deal with necessary mitigation, planning, response, and recovery concerns related to Mt. St. Helens. The Group shall consist of a Hazards Management Committee and a Public Activities Management Committee. Those committees shall address the following:

Hazards Management - issues concerning the direct and indirect hazards of Mt. St. Helens;

Public Activities Management - issues concerning and related to the resources and to the public access and use of the areas surrounding Mt. St. Helens.

The Chairman of the Group shall be the Director of the Department of Emergency Services. The Chairman shall report and make recommendations to the Governor. State agencies designated by the Chairman shall participate and provide staff support and any other necessary assistance.

The Chairman shall appoint chairpersons for each of the two committees, appoint members of the committees, and request the cooperation of Federal, state, and local officials, including state legislators and representatives of the private sector, as appropriate.

All previous existing formal and ad hoc groups that have heretofore been constituted under the auspices of state executive-branch agencies in order to deal with problems related to Mt. St. Helens are hereby replaced by the Mt. St. Helens Coordinating Group.

This Executive Order corrects and supersedes Executive Order [82-18](#), September 30, 1982.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 27th day of October A.D., Nineteen hundred and eighty-two.

John Spellman  
Governor of Washington

**BY THE GOVERNOR:**

Deputy Secretary of State

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