



PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

14-14

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2014, I issued Proclamation 14-13, proclaiming a State of Emergency for Clallam, Jefferson, Whatcom, King and Skagit Counties as a result of a series of significant rain storms that produced extensive rainfall throughout western Washington from November 25 through December 3, 2014; and

WHEREAS, as the Washington State Department of Transportation continued to assess damage caused by these storms and implement repairs, it became evident that the series of rain storms was ongoing and continued through December 12, 2014; and

WHEREAS, this series of rain storms caused additional damage to roadways in Mason and Okanogan Counties resulting from saturated soils and slope erosion, requiring temporary closures and limiting access affecting life, health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost to repair damage to roads resulting from these storms now exceeds \$6,000,000, and continues to require Washington's Secretary of Transportation to immediately commence repair work through implementation of emergency procurement procedures to alleviate impacts to public safety for damaged roadways in these two additional counties; and

WHEREAS, the roadway damage and its effects continue to impact the life and health of our citizens, as well as the property and transportation infrastructure of Washington State, and is a public disaster that affects life, health, property, or the public peace; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Transportation will continue to assess the damage caused by these storms and implement necessary emergency repairs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay R. Inslee, Governor of the State of Washington, as a result of the above-noted situation and under Chapters 38.52 and 43.06 RCW, do hereby proclaim that Proclamation 14-13 remains in effect, and that a State of Emergency also exists in Mason and Okanogan Counties, in addition to the counties identified in Proclamation 14-13. I again direct the plans and procedures in the *Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan* be implemented. State agencies and departments are directed to utilize state resources and to do everything reasonably

