



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

**WHEREAS:** On February 10, a Winter Storm Warning is issued for Murray, Fannin, Gilmer, Union, Towns, Pickens, Dawson, Lumpkin, White, Cherokee, Forsyth, Hall, Banks and Jackson Counties.

**WHEREAS:** This storm may cause significant snow and ice accumulations creating major difficulties in traveling on roads, bridges, culverts and other public and private properties in these areas; and

**WHEREAS:** The assistance of the government of the State of Georgia may be necessary to protect the public health, preserve the safety of the public, keep property damage to a minimum and to restore the social and economic welfare of the citizens of this State; and

**WHEREAS:** In light of these circumstances and in conjunction 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 promulgate 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 a State of Emergency exists in the counties listed above for a period of three days until midnight February 13, 2014, and that personnel and equipment resources of the State of Georgia be made available to assist in response and recovery activities that may be undertaken in the above mentioned counties, and that the Georgia Emergency Management Agency activates the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan.

This 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014 at 9 AM/PM.

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GOVERNOR