



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 07 – 16

DETERMINATION OF A STATE OF DROUGHT EMERGENCY IN LAKE COUNTY DUE TO DROUGHT AND LOW WATER CONDITIONS

Pursuant to ORS 401.055, I find that ongoing drought and low water conditions and weather patterns have the potential to cause local adverse natural and economic disaster conditions in Lake County. Projected weather patterns are not expected to significantly alleviate these conditions, and drought conditions are continuing. These conditions are expected to have significant economic impact on Lake County's agricultural, livestock and natural resources.

Current conditions are being addressed by state agencies including the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Water Resources and Oregon Emergency Management.

A timely response to this situation is vital to the well being and economic security of the citizens and businesses of Lake County; therefore I am declaring a "state of drought emergency" in Lake County and directing the following activities;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

1. The Oregon Department of Agriculture is directed to coordinate and provide assistance in seeking federal resources available to mitigate conditions and affect agricultural recovery in Lake County.
2. The Department of Water Resources is directed to coordinate and provide assistance and regulation for Lake County as it determines is necessary in accordance with ORS 536.700 to 536.780.
3. The Office of Emergency Management is directed to coordinate and assist as needed with assessment and mitigation activities to address current and projected conditions in Lake County.
4. All other departments are directed to coordinate with the above agencies and to provide appropriate state resources as determined essential to assist affected political subdivisions in Lake County.



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5. This Executive Order expires on December 31, 2007.

Done at Salem, Oregon this 9 day of October, 2007.

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Theodore R. Kulongoski
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Bill Bradbury".

Bill Bradbury
SECRETARY OF STATE

