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PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

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WHEREAS, a significant rain event with over 300 percent of normal precipitation occurred in parts of western and central Washington from January 11, 2010, to January 17, 2010; and

The extreme rainfall during this period contributed to landslides, rock falls and washouts causing emergency hazardous road conditions and closures on US 2 in Chelan County, Quinault South Shore Road in Jefferson County, SR 18 in King County, and SR 20 in Okanogan County. The estimated cost to repair the damage is in excess of \$2,500,000, and the damage has restricted vehicle travel, interrupted provision of public utilities, limited access to public facilities, and caused inconvenience affecting public health and safety; and

The Washington Department of Transportation and local jurisdictions are coordinating resources to repair the roadways, continuing to assess the damage caused by these events, and working closely to implement damage repairs; and

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, and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christine O. Gregoire, 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 a State of Emergency exists in Chelan, Jefferson, King, and Okanogan Counties in the state of Washington, and 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 possible to assist affected political subdivisions in an effort to respond to and recover from the event.

Signed and sealed with the official seal of the state of Washington this 7th day of February, A.D. Two Thousand and Ten at Olympia, Washington.

By:

/s/

Christine O. Gregoire
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

/s/

Secretary of State