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## OHIO EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN PROMULGATION

The Ohio Emergency Operations Plan provides a comprehensive framework for statewide emergency management. It addresses the roles and responsibilities of state government organizations and provides a link to federal, local and private organizations and resources that may be activated to respond to disasters and emergencies in Ohio.

During disaster response and recovery operations, the primary objective of emergency management is to ensure the safety and well-being of all Ohio citizens and visitors. Prior to and during a disaster, actions will be taken to effectively restore and preserve public welfare and safety, including preparedness, prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery. The Ohio Emergency Operations Plan is an integral element of the State's emergency management response effort.

State agencies cooperate with the Ohio Department of Public Safety, through the Emergency Management Agency, in an ongoing planning process that produces an effective framework for coordinating the delivery of state assistance to local governments. State agencies have repeatedly demonstrated that they can work effectively together to achieve the common goal of efficient and timely disaster response and recovery operations.

The Ohio Emergency Operations Plan ensures consistency with current policy guidance, and describes interrelationships among levels of government. This Plan will continue to evolve, and will respond to lessons learned from actual disasters, ongoing state planning efforts, training and exercise activities, and federal guidance. This plan will also continue to serve as a basis for improving inter-agency coordination, and for strengthening relationships among all of our emergency management partners.

Therefore, pursuant the authority vested in me as the Chief Executive Officer of the State of Ohio and Section 5502.22 of the Ohio Revised Code, and in recognition of the emergency management responsibilities of state government, I hereby approve of and promulgate the Ohio Emergency Operations Plan.

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John R. Kasich  
Governor  
April 11, 2018