



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, beginning in January 2020, a series of severe storms and rain events created heavily saturated soils across the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, beginning on February 6, 2020, slope failures occurred across various portions of the State; and

WHEREAS, there were four slope failures on State Route 36 in Unicoi County at mile markers 2.56, 2.87, 2.94-2.98, and 5.35; and

WHEREAS, a slope failure occurred in Knox County at log mile 2.6 on State Route 332; and

WHEREAS, a slope failure occurred in Van Buren County at log mile 15.9 on State Route 30; and

WHEREAS, slope failures occurred in Hamilton County at log mile 2.4 on State Route 148 and log mile 7.1 on State Route 153; and

WHEREAS, slope failures occurred in Marion County between log mile 25.2 and 26.4 on State Route 2; and

WHEREAS, there were multiple flooded locations on roads in Haywood County, Decatur County, Lauderdale County, Dyer County, Lake County, and Hardin County; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation responded to these events with appropriate traffic control and maintenance to protect facilities from further damage; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation will award contracts to repair the slope failures.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Tennessee Constitution and law, including but not limited to Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107(b), do hereby declare a state of emergency existed in Hardin County, Decatur County, Haywood County, Lauderdale County, Dyer County, Lake County, Van Buren County, Marion County, Hamilton County, Knox County, and Unicoi County in Tennessee. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107(b)(2), this state of emergency will remain in effect until I have determined that the emergency conditions no longer exist; provided that in no event will the state of emergency continue for longer than sixty (60) additional days, unless specifically renewed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this 10th day of March, 2020.


GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


SECRETARY OF STATE

