



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
HAGÁTÑA, GUAM 96910
U.S.A.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2006-24

**RELATIVE TO DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE
THE ISLAND-WIDE RESPONSE AND RECOVERY OF TERRESTRIAL RAIN
FROM A STRONG MONSOON TROUGH CAUSING WIDESPREAD
FLOODING AND COASTAL INUNDATION**

WHEREAS, as of 12:00 p.m., CST, Sunday, October 8, 2006, Guam has received over three (3) inches of rain over the past 24 hours and approximately twelve (12) inches of rain over the past week causing widespread flooding throughout the island, especially in the southern region; and

WHEREAS, the Government of Guam has been advised by the National Weather Service, that Guam shall experience more rain over the next 24 to 48 hours; and

WHEREAS, the Government of Guam has been advised by the National Weather Service, that due to high surf caused by a strong monsoon trough located over Guam, coastal inundation is extremely likely;

WHEREAS, the Government is now in dire need of funds and resources to pay for basic equipment and rental, supplies, personnel overtime costs, and other response and recovery expenses that will be borne in order to get the recovery process underway and to ensure that the basic needs of the people of Guam are met;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FELIX P. CAMACHO, *I Maga'Lahen Guahan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do order:

1. **Declaration of State of Emergency.** A state of emergency is hereby declared for the Island of Guam as a result of widespread flooding and coastal inundation throughout the island.
2. **Preliminary damage assessments.** All department and agency heads of the Government of Guam are hereby directed to conduct preliminary damage assessments in conjunction with the Office of Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense and the Bureau of Statistics and Plans, within 72 hours of this executive order.
3. **Reporting Requirement.** As quickly as possible, initial reports on preliminary damage assessments and expenses are due from all departments and agencies within Twenty-four (24) hours from the date of this Executive Order.
4. **Emergency procurement and emergency expenses.** Pursuant to 5 G.C.A § 5215, authorizing emergency procurement upon executive order, and pursuant to 5 G.C.A § 22402, authorizing the Governor to utilize no more than Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) from General Fund



4. appropriations for the Executive Branch for expenses resulting from civil defense, public safety or health care emergencies, the Director of Bureau of Budget and Management Research is authorized to transfer to the Office of Homeland Security an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) from outstanding appropriations within the General Fund for immediate procurement by the Office of Homeland Security to provide goods and services to respond appropriately to the island-wide preparation and recovery from widespread flooding and coastal inundation.
5. **Documentation of expenses.** All departments and agencies are hereby instructed to keep appropriate documentation on all emergency expenses for inspection by the Executive and Legislative Branches and by the Public Auditor of Guam, and in anticipation of federal disaster assistance approval by the President of the United States to be administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
6. **Purpose of emergency procurement and expenditure of funds.** Emergency procurement may be used for procurement of any goods and services provided by the Office of Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense as the lead agency in the provision of goods and services relative to the response and recovery from widespread flooding and coastal inundation; and continuing for Thirty (30) days after the date of this executive order as provided in § 5215 of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated.
7. **Overtime.** This Executive Order shall authorize all Employees, to include exempt and non-exempt employees, of all Government of Guam Agencies, line and autonomous, inclusive of the Mayor's Council of Guam and the Guam National Guard responding to this executive order and the island-wide preparation and recovery from widespread flooding and coastal inundation to accrue overtime from 3:00 p.m., Sunday, October 8, 2006, until 8:00 a.m., Friday, October 13, 2006, unless further renewed by *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*.
8. **Government of Guam Support.** All Government of Guam Agencies, inclusive of line, autonomous and the Mayor's Council of Guam and the Guam National Guard shall provide such emergency services as requested by the Office of Homeland Security.
9. **Cost Reimbursement.** The Office of Homeland Security, in coordination with the various responding departments and agencies of the Government of Guam, shall pursue cost reimbursements from the appropriate responsible parties to the full extent provided by law, including subsequent legal proceedings as may be necessary.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 8th day of October, 2006.

FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga' Låhen Guåhan
Governor of Guam