Office of the Governor State of Oregon



EXECUTIVE ORDER EO - 80 - 11

DECLARING STATE OF DISASTER

Mount St. Helens, a volcano in southwest Washington, recently erupted with great violence. Although the initial blast did not affect Oregon, debris carried down the Cowlitz River has polluted the Columbia River and caused a channel blockage. Reports indicate that fisheries may be adversely affected, and commercial activity, especially involving the Port of Portland, has been disrupted by silting of the channel.

In addition later ash eruptions have directly effected parts of the State of Oregon causing an unknown amount of damage.

IT IS ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

A state of emergency disaster is declared to exist in Clatsop, Columbia, Washington, Multnomah and Clackamas Counties. It is my instruction to all state agencies, and my request of local and private agencies, that they cooperate in relieving the distress caused by this disaster. It is my request of federal authorities that federal agencies join in this effort, and that other federal resources be made available as necessary.

GOVERNOR

ATTEST: oEma SECRETARY OF STATE



Done at Salem, Oregon, this 7th day of June, 1980.