

# STATE OF INDIANA

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT INDIANAPOLIS

EXECUTIVE ORDER \_\_\_\_\_ 26-15 \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR: DECLARING A DISASTER EMERGENCY IN ALLEN, BARTHOLOMEW, BENTON, BOONE, BROWN, CARROLL, CASS, CLAY, CLINTON, DEARBORN, DECATUR, DELAWARE, ELKHART, FRANKLIN, FOUNTAIN, FULTON, GRANT, GREENE, HAMILTON, HANCOCK, HARRISON, HENDRICKS, HOWARD, HUNTINGTON, JACKSON, JASPER, JAY, JEFFERSON, JENNINGS, JOHNSON, KOSCIUSKO, KNOX, LAGRANGE, LAKE, LAPORTE, LAWRENCE, MADISON, MARION, MARSHALL, MIAMI, MONROE, MONTGOMERY, MORGAN, NEWTON, OHIO, OWEN, PARKE, PORTER, PUTNAM, RANDOLPH, RIPLEY, RUSH, SHELBY, ST. JOSEPH, STEUBEN, SWITZERLAND, TIPPECANOE, WABASH, WARREN, WHITE, VANDERBURGH, VERMILLION, AND VIGO COUNTIES DUE TO FLOODING, SEVERE WEATHER, TORNADIC ACTIVITY, AND A DERECHO**

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS.

**WHEREAS,** Indiana Code § 10-14-3-12 provides that the Governor shall declare a disaster emergency by executive order if he determines that a disaster involving widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property has occurred or that the occurrence or threat of a disaster is imminent;

**WHEREAS,** beginning June 6, 2026, and continuing through June 18, 2026, flooding, severe weather, tornadic activity, and a derecho caused widespread and severe damage across Indiana in at least 63 counties throughout the State;

**WHEREAS,** the severe weather has resulted in damage and destruction of homes, businesses, infrastructure, and other structures; loss of power; downing of trees and power lines; flooding; damage to and closure of roads; and injury; and

**WHEREAS,** state agencies, local governments, and emergency responders must act in a coordinated and expedited manner to prepare for, respond to, and recover from the impacts of these clustered instances of severe weather.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE BRAUN,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby:

1. Declare a state of disaster emergency exists in Allen, Bartholomew, Benton, Boone, Brown, Carroll, Cass, Clay, Clinton, Dearborn, Decatur, Delaware, Elkhart, Franklin, Fountain, Fulton, Grant, Greene, Hamilton, Hancock, Harrison, Hendricks, Howard, Huntington, Jackson, Jasper, Jay, Jefferson, Jennings, Johnson, Kosciusko, Knox, LaGrange, Lake, LaPorte, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Miami, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Newton, Ohio, Owen, Parke, Porter, Putnam, Randolph, Ripley, Rush, Shelby, St. Joseph, Steuben, Switzerland, Tippecanoe, Wabash, Warren, White, Vanderburgh, Vermillion and Vigo counties, which shall be effective immediately and, pursuant to Indiana Code § 10-14-3-12, shall continue for a period of thirty (30) days;
2. Find that state assistance is necessary to supplement local resources to respond to this disaster and authorize individual assistance under the State Disaster Relief Fund for eligible individuals;

3. Direct the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) to coordinate the state's emergency response efforts, including preparation, response, recovery, and mitigation activities related to this disaster emergency; and
4. Order all executive branch agencies to provide assistance, resources, and personnel as requested by the IDHS to support emergency operations and ensure public safety.



**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,**  
I, Mike Braun, have hereunto set my hand  
and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of  
the State of Indiana on this 18th day of June,  
2026.

*Mike Braun*

Mike Braun  
Governor of Indiana

*DIEGO MORALES*

ATTEST: Diego Morales  
Secretary of State