

STATE OF ARKANSAS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

DR 19-02

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: A disposal site on Trafalgar Road in Bella Vista, Arkansas, presents potentially a current and ongoing threat to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS: Adverse circumstances have been brought to bear upon the citizens, as well as, damage to private and public properties within the political subdivisions affected by this situation; and

WHEREAS: The affected political subdivisions and designated state agencies require supplemental assistance from the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, acting under the authority vested in me by Ark. Code Ann. §§ 12-75-101, et seq., do hereby amend proclamation, DR 19-01 of January 2, 2019, to declare a state of emergency in Benton County, and to authorize funds from the Governor's Disaster Fund, under the Emergency Response Fund, in the amount of \$50,000.00, to be used to provide supplemental disaster relief to the affected political subdivisions. Such funds will be used at the discretion of the Director of the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management to defray both program and administrative costs.

FURTHERMORE, I hereby invoke emergency executive powers vested in me under Ark. Code Ann. §§ 12-75-101, et seq., as amended, and suspend the provisions of regulating statutes prescribing procedures for conduct of the State Office of Purchasing, the Arkansas Building Authority, the State Office of Personnel Management, and all other State departments and agencies to render maximum assistance to the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality and the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management relative to any potential impediment to the rapid and orderly remediation of the disposal site and to rendering of assistance to political subdivisions.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 15th day of February, in the year of our Lord 2019.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

John Thurston, Secretary Of State