



State of New York
Executive Chamber

No. 2.1

EXECUTIVE ORDER

CONTINUING THE DECLARATION OF A DISASTER EMERGENCY IN THE COUNTIES OF BRONX, DUTCHESS, KINGS, NASSAU, NEW YORK, ORANGE, PUTNAM, QUEENS, RICHMOND, ROCKLAND, SUFFOLK, SULLIVAN, ULSTER, WESTCHESTER AND CONTIGUOUS COUNTIES

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2021 and continuing thereafter, Post-Tropical Depression Ida created hazardous conditions in New York State which pose an imminent danger to public transportation, utility service, public health, and public safety systems within the counties of Bronx, Dutchess, Kings, Nassau, New York, Orange, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk, Sullivan, Ulster, Westchester, and contiguous counties;

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Ida produced torrential rainfall, and flooding. These conditions caused in excess of 31,300 power outages, downed trees, localized flash flooding, road closures, travel disruptions, and damage to public and private property throughout the impacted areas, which continue to pose a threat to the public health and safety;

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2021, I issued Executive Order 2 declaring a State Disaster Emergency within the counties of Bronx, Dutchess, Kings, Nassau, New York, Orange, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk, Sullivan, Ulster, Westchester, and contiguous counties;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KATHY HOCHUL, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the State of New York and Section 28 of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, do hereby extend the state disaster emergency as set forth in Executive Order 2 and continue the terms, conditions, and suspensions contained in Executive Order 2 until October 17, 2021;

IN ADDITION, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law to temporarily suspend or modify any statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation, or parts thereof, of any agency during a State disaster emergency, if compliance with such statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation would prevent, hinder, or delay action necessary to cope with the disaster emergency or if necessary to assist or aid in coping with such disaster, I hereby temporarily modify, for the period from the date of this Executive Order through October 17, 2021, the following laws:

- Section 179-S of the State Finance Law to the extent necessary to no longer require the approval of the Attorney General and the State Comptroller for such contracts necessary to respond to the emergency.



GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in the City of Albany this seventeenth day of September in the year two thousand twenty-one.

Kathy Hochul

BY THE GOVERNOR

[Signature]

Secretary to the Governor