



# State of New York

## Executive Chamber

No. 29

### EXECUTIVE ORDER

#### DECLARING A DISASTER EMERGENCY IN THE COUNTIES OF ONTARIO AND ORANGE

**WHEREAS**, on July 9, 2023 and continuing thereafter, severe thunderstorms have created hazardous conditions in New York State posing an imminent danger to public transportation, utility service, public health, and public safety systems in the Counties of Ontario and Orange;

**WHEREAS**, the storms are producing torrential downpours, high winds, and flash flooding, resulting in downed trees, road closures, travel disruptions, power outages, and damage to public and private property throughout the State, which pose a threat to the public health and safety;

**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 find that a disaster is occurring for which the affected local governments are unable to respond adequately. Therefore, I hereby declare a State Disaster Emergency effective July 9, 2023 for the Counties of Ontario and Orange. This Executive Order shall be in effect through August 8, 2023; and

**FURTHER**, pursuant to Section 29 of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, I direct the implementation of the State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and authorize, effective July 9, 2023, State agencies as necessary, and the American Red Cross, to take appropriate action to protect State property and to assist affected local governments and individuals in responding to and recovering from this disaster, and to provide such other assistance as necessary to protect the public health and safety;

**IN ADDITION**, this declaration satisfies the requirements of 49 C.F.R. 390.23(a)(1)(A), which provides relief from Parts 390 through 399 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSR). Such relief from the FMCSR is necessary to ensure that crews can clear vital roadways and hasten the movement of utility power restoration crews into New York State;



GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in  
the City of Albany this ninth day of July in the  
year two thousand twenty-three.

*Kathy Hochul*

BY THE GOVERNOR

*[Signature]*  
Secretary to the Governor