STATE OF MINNESOTA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

MARK DAYTON
GOVERNOR

Emergency Executive Order 11-28

Providing for Assistance to the Minnesota Interagency Fire Center

I, Mark Dayton, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Emergency Executive Order:

Whereas, a wildfire over 75,000 acres in size in St. Louis County is threatening property in the vicinity of Pagami Creek near Ely, MN; and

Whereas, the fire danger rating is very high in Northern Minnesota and is expected to remain very high for the next several days; and

Whereas, state agencies, the State Emergency Operations Center, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, and the Minnesota Interagency Fire Center (MIFC) do not have adequate aviation resources for widespread wildfire suppression; and

Whereas, MIFC has requested fire suppression assets from the Minnesota National Guard;

Now, Therefore, I hereby order that:

1. The Adjutant General of Minnesota order to state active duty on or about September 13th 2011, in the service of the State, such personnel and equipment of the military forces of the State as required and for such period of time as necessary to support wildfire suppression in Northern Minnesota.

2. The Adjutant General is authorized to purchase, lease or contract goods and services necessary to accomplish the mission.
3. The cost of subsistence, transportation, fuel, pay and allowances of said individuals shall be defrayed from the general fund of the State, as provided for in Minnesota Statutes, Sections 192.49, subdivisions 1 and 2; 192.52, 192.54 and as otherwise permitted by law.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 4.035, subdivision 2, this Emergency Order is effective immediately and must be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the State Register as soon as possible after its issuance and will remain in effect until such date as elements of the military forces of the State are no longer required.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand this 13th day of September, 2011.

Mark Dayton
Governor

Filed According to Law:

Mark Ritchie
Secretary of State