

**SALT LAKE COUNTY
RESOLUTION
EXTENSION OF THE EMERGENCY
DECLARED BY THE SALT LAKE COUNTY MAYOR
DUE TO FLOODING**

RESOLUTION NO. _____

May 9, 2023

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF SALT LAKE COUNTY,

BE IT KNOWN AND REMEMBERED:

THAT, the County Council of Salt Lake County, State of Utah, met in regular session of the Council on the 9th day of May 2023.

WITNESS:

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County received a significantly higher than normal snowfall during the 2022-2023 winter resulting in historically high levels of snowpack and unstable conditions and the large majority of snow has not yet started to melt; and

WHEREAS, rapid snowmelt already has caused localized flooding in various parts of Salt Lake County; and

WHEREAS, as seasonal temperatures will continue to rise, there continues to be an imminent threat of additional flooding in Salt Lake County, and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake City issued a Local Emergency Declaration due to flooding on April 12, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Emigration Canyon Metro Township issued a Local Emergency Declaration due to flooding on April 12, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Millcreek City issued a Local Emergency Declaration due to flooding on April 13, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Governor Spencer J. Cox issued an Executive Order declaring a State of Emergency for the State of Utah due to flooding on April 18, 2023; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Utah Code Annotated, Sections 53-2a-205 and -208, the Mayor of Salt Lake County has the power to declare a state of emergency for Salt Lake County; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.86.030, Salt Lake County Code of Ordinances, 2001, similarly authorizes the Mayor to declare a state of emergency exists in Salt Lake County and to invoke certain powers in aid of responding to and mitigating such emergency; and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2023, Mayor Jennifer Wilson issued a Declaration of a State of Local Emergency and Invoking Emergency Powers in Salt Lake County based upon flooding in more than one municipality in Salt Lake County and the continued imminent danger of additional flooding; and

WHEREAS, State law and County Ordinance permit the Mayor's declaration of an emergency to be effective for a period not to exceed 30 days, unless the emergency declaration is continued or renewed with the consent of the County Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor has requested the County Council extend the declaration of an emergency until Midnight on June 13, 2023.

RESOLUTION:

NOW, THEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING IS RESOLVED:

1. The County Council of Salt Lake County hereby finds that a State of Emergency continues to exist in and for Salt Lake County due to flooding and/or the imminent threat of additional flooding.
2. The Council acknowledges and supports the invoking of the emergency powers and operations of the County by the Mayor.

3. The Council supports the County’s utilization of its personnel and resources, as ordered and authorized by the Mayor, to perform all functions specified in County Ordinance 2.86.050 and in other applicable provisions of law.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately and be declared to be ongoing and continuing until Midnight, June 13, 2023, unless the facts supporting the State of Emergency no longer exist as determined by the Mayor or Council.
5. This Resolution shall be provided to the State of Utah, the Mayor, and shall be filed immediately with the Salt Lake County Clerk and published by general dissemination as appropriate.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Utah this 9th day of May 2023.

By: _____
 AIMEE WINDER-NEWTON, Council Chair

ATTEST:

 Lannie Chapman
 Salt Lake County Clerk

Council Member Alvord voting	_____
Council Member Bradley voting	_____
Council Member Bradshaw voting	_____
Council Member Granato voting	_____
Council Member Harrison voting	_____
Council Member Stewart voting	_____
Council Member Stringham voting	_____
Council Member Theodore voting	_____
Council Member Winder-Newton voting	_____

Reviewed as to Form and Legality:

Ralph Chamness
Chief Deputy
Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office