



STATE OF ARKANSAS  
MIKE BEEBE  
GOVERNOR

August 31, 2010

To: State and Local Authorities and the Citizens of Arkansas:

As Governor of the State of Arkansas and in accordance with provisions of Arkansas Code Annotated 12-75-101 *et seq.*, I am responsible for the welfare and safety of citizens residing in the State. Toward this objective, I have directed preparation and periodic review of the Arkansas Emergency Operations Plan (EOP).

This plan describes the ways in which resources of local, state, and federal governments may be most effectively used to ensure that the State is prepared for all emergencies. It also explains the methods responders will use in reacting efficiently to save lives and property and alleviate suffering when disasters occur.

Responsibilities for specific emergency support functions are assigned to and accepted by appropriate state agencies through Memorandums of Agreement.

This plan and changes to it are effective upon publication of the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management's Web page ([www.adem.arkansas.gov](http://www.adem.arkansas.gov)). The Director of the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management publishes this plan and will issue changes or corrections as required.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "MB", written over a large, stylized flourish.

Mike Beebe

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