

## **Supplemental Interstate Compact For Emergency Mutual Assistance**

**WHEREAS**, the states of Arizona and New Mexico have determined that interstate emergency mutual assistance is helpful and often necessary in responding to emergencies and disasters;

**WHEREAS**, both states have entered into interstate compacts that provide the framework for sharing resources during declared states of emergency;

**WHEREAS**, many emergencies do not require the Governors to declare a state of emergency, but nonetheless there is a significant benefit to sharing of critical emergency resources during those situations;

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Management Assistance Compact, (“EMAC”), does not specifically include state to state assistance for emergencies that have not been declared a state of emergency by the Governor of the state requesting resources;

**WHEREAS**, the EMAC specifically allows and encourages supplemental agreements between its party state.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, this agreement is made by the Governor of the State of Arizona pursuant to the authority granted to them in Chapter 26 of the Arizona Revised Statutes and the Governor of the State of New Mexico, or Governor’s Authorized Representative (GAR), pursuant to the authority granted to them in the New Mexico Constitution, Article V, Section 4, and New Mexico Statutes Annotated Chapter 12, Article 10, and each Governor, is acting herein for and on behalf of their state respectively, as follows:

1. The State of Arizona hereby promises and agrees to provide emergency mutual aid assistance in emergencies to the State of New Mexico when the State of New Mexico requests such assistance, notwithstanding the absence of a declaration of emergency or disaster by the State of Arizona or the State of New Mexico.
2. The State of New Mexico hereby promises and agrees to provide emergency mutual aid assistance in emergencies to the State of Arizona when the State of Arizona requests such assistance, notwithstanding the absence of a declaration of emergency or disaster by the State of Arizona or the State of New Mexico.
3. Neither state shall be required to provide resources under this agreement, if in the sole discretion of the responding state, the requested resources are not sufficiently available, or if the provisions of those resources would unreasonably impact the safety and health of the citizens of the responding state.
4. The State rendering assistance pursuant to this Compact shall be reimbursed by the requesting State receiving such assistance for any loss, damage, or expense incurred

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responding to a request for aid and any costs incurred in connection with such requests; notwithstanding, the assisting State may choose to assume in whole or in part such loss, damage, expense or other cost, or may loan such equipment or donate such services to the requesting State without charge or costs.

5. Pursuant to the applicable statutes and agreements of both States, including, without limitation, Arizona Revised Statutes § 26-402, art. vi, the officers, employees, volunteers, and other emergency responders rendering assistance in the other State pursuant to this Compact shall be protected from liability, as applicable to those individuals.
6. Each party shall provide their responding individuals with compensation and death benefits, including worker's compensation, as appropriate and authorized for any injured emergency responder deployed under this Compact or the representatives of deceased responders, in the same manner as if the injury or death occurred within the responding individual's state, subject to the reimbursement provisions of this compact.
7. This agreement shall remain in effect until EMAC is amended to allow interstate mutual aid without a Governor's declaration of emergency or disaster, even if Arizona or New Mexico does not sign the amended EMAC. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either state may terminate this agreement with a 90-day written notice to the other state.

### IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

I, Katie Hobbs, Governor of the State of Arizona, have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arizona to be affixed this 4th day of December, in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Four.



  
GOVERNOR

### IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

I, Ali Rye, State Director and the Governor's Authorized Representative (GAR) as designated under NMSA 1978, Section 12-10-3, have hereunto affixed my signature on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Four.

Ali Rye

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**Ali Rye, State Director and Governor' Authorized  
Representative (GAR)**