EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 99-55

WHEREAS, a state of emergency has been declared (Executive Order 99-44) in South Carolina due to the hazardous conditions created by Hurricane Floyd; and

WHEREAS, Sections 1-3-410 through 1-3-460, as well as Section 25-1-440, confer upon the Governor extraordinary powers to take measures necessary to maintain peace and order; and

WHEREAS, high water on the Waccamaw River and its tributaries resulting from Hurricane Floyd has created a danger to public safety and private property due to debris and hazardous currents; and

WHEREAS, I previously prohibited all watercraft operations on the Waccamaw River and its tributaries between the North Carolina/South Carolina border south to its intersection with the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, except for law enforcement and emergency personnel, and those persons living in residences in the affected area reachable only by water; and

WHEREAS, the United States Coast Guard has closed the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway from the U.S. 501 bridge south to marker 27 at Enterprise Landing due to flooding from Hurricane Floyd.

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby extend the prohibitions on watercraft operations imposed by Executive Order 99-53 to include the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway from the U.S. 501 bridge south to marker 27 at Enterprise Landing. This closure applies to all vessels, recreational and commercial, with the exception of law enforcement and emergency vessels, and those persons living in residences in the affected area reachable only by water.

Except as modified by this Executive Order, the prohibitions imposed by Executive Order 99-53 shall remain in full force and effect.


JIM HODGES
GOVERNOR

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