

STATE OF NEBRASKA



Proclamation

WHEREAS,

Beginning on the 18th day of June 2024 and continuing, high temperatures, high winds, low humidity, and dry conditions combined to create a situation that resulted in a wildland fire igniting in Box Butte and Morrill Counties. The Schiff Fire in Box Butte and Morrill Counties is rapidly expanding. The wildland fire is endangering the health and safety of a number of Nebraska citizens as well as damaging public and private property. The wildfire has created problems greater in scope than local governments alone may resolve; and

WHEREAS,

The actions necessary to assist in meeting the emergency conditions and dangers present a burden to the counties and citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE,

Under the provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-829.40, which confers emergency responsibilities and powers upon the Governor, I, Jim Pillen, as Governor of the State of Nebraska, do hereby declare that a state of emergency exists within the area impacted by the Schiff Fire in the state of Nebraska.

I HEREBY DIRECT,

The Nebraska Adjutant General, who also serves as State Disaster Coordinator, to activate appropriate State emergency plans and to take such steps as he deems necessary to meet this emergency, and to continue these actions until such time as the threat to life and property created by this situation has been alleviated.

**I FURTHER DIRECT
OR REQUEST**

State and appropriate federal agencies to cooperate with and support the Adjutant General of Nebraska upon his request, as may be appropriate and lawful.

I HEREBY AUTHORIZE,

The Adjutant General of Nebraska to activate such elements of State Government and Emergency Management resources as are appropriate to deal with this emergency and to expend such funds, within the limitations of availability, from the Governors Emergency Fund to support these actions.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this the 21st day of June 2024.

Done at the State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, and this Twenty-first Day in June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-four.

Attest:

Robert B. Evnen, Secretary of State
State of Nebraska

Jim Pillen, Governor
State of Nebraska