

Appendix D. Commander's Emergency Declaration:

On May 19<sup>th</sup>, LTC Leighow, Acting District Commander, declared a flood emergency and directed the EOC to respond to the local requests for emergency response assistance. The declaration is documented in the attached SITREP.

Situation Report	
<b>Start Date:</b> 191806zMay2006	<b>Valid as of:</b> 192317zMay2006
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**Situation**

**1. Situation**

An above normal warm weather system has moved through eastern Washington, northern Idaho and western Montana producing excessive snowmelt in river basins.

Run off levels are such that several rivers are above or near flood stage. These rivers include the Yakima/Naches (WA), Yaak (MT), Moyie (MT), Kootenai(MT/ID, Methow/Okanogan (WA) and the Bitterroot (MT).

Flood engineers for the Kootenai and the Okanogan have been activated and deployed to their basins and are coordinating with local officials for possible direct assistance missions.

A formal emergency disaster declaration and Cooperation Agreement was received from Bonners Ferry, Idaho. Seattle District will begin flood fighting an endangered levee as local resources are completely involved in flood fighting throughout Boundary County.

**2. Weather**

Areas in Eastern Washington, North Idaho and Western Montana will see cooler temperatures over the weekend(slowing the snowmelt), with a chance of showers or thundershowers.

Generally rainfall will be light and not widespread, however near clusters of showers or thundershowers, moderate to heavy rain could occur. The showers should be moving at a fair pace, therefore duration of showers may limit overall rainfall amounts.

Rainfall will generally move from the south southwest to the north northeast.

**Operations**

**3. EOC Operations**

NWS EOC activated on May 16 and remains at activation level II and will remain open during the weekend of May 20-21 with hours of 0700-1630.

On May 19 NWS EOC received \$220,000 of Code 216 funding to support EOC Activation.

Total Code 216 Funding received to date for this event: \$220,000

Number of personnel supporting EOC Operations: 6

Currently 4 flood engineers deployed to areas experiencing flooding.

**Crisis Management**

**4. Crisis Management**

CMT being briefed through daily SITREPs.

Deputy District Commander LTC. Leighow and partial CMT briefed on flooding situation on Kootenai at 1400 on May 19.

LTC. Leighow has declared a flood emergency.

**Command and Control**

**5. Command and Control**

List the Commander, Deputy Commander, Emergency Management Leader, Field Officers, and other pertinent POC's required, and their phone numbers.

**Field Officers**

**5. Field Officers**

Eric Winters and Cathy Desjardin are deployed to the Kootenai.

Rita Kauzlarich and Jeff Dillon are enroute to Okanogan to meet with city and county personnel.

**Actions for Next Reporting Period**

**5. Actions for Next Reporting Period**

EOC staff working closely with Reservoir Control Center staff monitoring weather systems and reservoir levels for possible flood fight activities.

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