

**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

In re:

**EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION FOR
REPAIRS, REPLACEMENT,
RESTORATION, AND CERTAIN
OTHER MEASURES MADE
NECESSARY BY HURRICANE LAURA**

OGC NO. 20-1253

AND

**EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION FOR
SUSPENSION OF PROCUREMENT AND
TRAVEL STATUTES, RULES AND
ORDERS, MADE NECESSARY BY
HURRICANE LAURA**

OGC NO. 20-1252

**ORDER TERMINATING EMERGENCY FINAL
ORDERS**

Pursuant to Sections 120.569(2)(n), 252.36 and 252.46, Florida Statutes, and upon consideration of the State of Florida Executive Order No. 20-209 and the following findings of fact, the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) enters this Order Terminating Emergency Final Orders (Order), including Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law due to the abatement of the imminent or immediate danger to the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the State of Florida caused by Hurricane Laura (hereinafter "the Storm").

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On August 21, 2020, the Governor of Florida issued Emergency Order 20-208 due to the threats posed by a storm system that would eventually become Hurricane

Laura.

2. By State of Florida Executive Order No. 20-208, the Governor declared that a state of emergency existed throughout Bay, Broward, Calhoun, Charlotte, Citrus, Collier, DeSoto, Dixie, Escambia, Franklin, Glades, Gulf, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Hillsborough, Jackson, Jefferson, Lee, Levy, Manatee, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Santa Rosa, Sarasota, Taylor, Wakulla, Walton, and Washington counties based upon the serious threat to the public health, safety, and welfare posed by the Storm.

3. On August 25, 2020, the National Hurricane Center upgraded the tropical storm to a hurricane.

4. The Storm's effects were felt along the southern portion of Florida's peninsula and the Florida Keys, including tropical storm-force winds and severe rain.

5. On August 26, 2020, the National Hurricane Center and the National Weather Service discontinued all warnings for Florida.

6. The threats and dangers posed by Hurricane Laura have abated.

7. On August 27, 2020, the Governor ended the state of emergency and terminated Executive Order No. 20-208 in Executive Order No. 20-209.

8. The Department finds that a state of emergency no longer exists statewide due to the effects of the Storm.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Based on the findings recited above, it is hereby concluded that the statewide emergency caused by the Storm no longer exists.

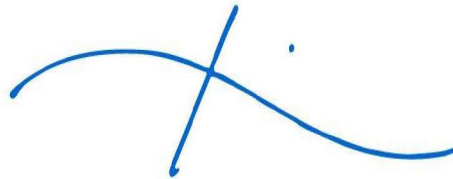
2. Under State of Florida Executive Order No. 20-209, and Sections

120.569(2)(n), 252.36 and 252.46, Florida Statutes, the Secretary or designee of the Department is authorized to issue this Order.

THEREFORE, the Emergency Final Orders OGC No. 20-1252 and 20-1253 for Tropical Storm Laura are hereby terminated and are no longer in effect.

DONE AND ORDERED on this 11th day of September 2020, in Tallahassee, Florida.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



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FILED on this date, pursuant to §120.52 Florida Statutes, with the designated Department Clerk, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.



CLERK

September 11, 2020

DATE