

**STATE OF FLORIDA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

**In Re: EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION FOR  
SUSPENSION OF PROCUREMENT AND  
TRAVEL STATUTES, RULES AND  
ORDERS, MADE NECESSARY BY  
TROPICAL STORM HELENE**

**OGC NO. 24-2533**

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**EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT ORDER**

I HEREBY adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the Emergency Final Order, OGC# 24-2534, issued on September 24, 2024, in this Order and find that the Department of Environmental Protection's timely performance of disaster response functions related to Tropical Storm Helene, as assigned by the State Coordinating Officer, are hindered by the application of procurement and travel procedures imposed by statute, rule, or order.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority granted by Executive Order No. 24-208, as amended by 24-209:

A. I hereby suspend, to the extent necessary to ensure said emergency response functions, the effect of any statute, rule, or order, including Chapter 255 and Sections 287.055(3)(a)-(d), 4(a)-(d), 5(a)-(c), and 287.057(3), Florida Statutes, and Chapters 60A-1.002(4), 60A-1.021(2), and 60A-1.043(1)-(3), and 60D-5, Florida Administrative Code, to the extent needed to procure any and all necessary supplies, commodities, services, temporary premises, and other resources to include, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, any and all statutes, rules, and orders which affect budgeting, leasing, printing, purchasing, travel, the conditions of employment, and the compensation of employees as set forth in an established Tracker item at the Florida Emergency Operations Center, as prescribed in the State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, as directed by the State Coordinating Officer, or as directed by the Executive Office of the Governor.

B. This Order shall take effect immediately upon execution and shall expire upon expiration or rescission of EO 24-208 and 24-209, as modified or extended.

Executed this 24th day of September 2024, in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**



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**Shawn Hamilton, Secretary  
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000**

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

**Michelle M. Knight** Digitally signed by Michelle M. Knight  
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