



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

### STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR HURRICANE IDALIA

- WHEREAS:** Hurricane Idalia is forecasted to make landfall in the early morning on Wednesday, August 30, 2023, along areas of the Florida Gulf Coast and portions of the Florida Panhandle and is projected to travel northwest affecting areas in south central Georgia and southeast coastal Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** The National Hurricane Center forecasts Hurricane Idalia may produce heavy rainfall, damaging winds, isolated tornadoes, storm surge, and flooding in the State of Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** This storm system has the potential to produce severe impacts to citizens throughout south-central and southeast coastal Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** Potential flooding, downed trees, power lines, and debris may render Georgia's network of roads impassable in affected counties, isolating residences and persons from access to essential public services; and
- WHEREAS:** Preliminary reports from county emergency management agencies and the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency indicate a need for assistance in the impacted counties; and
- WHEREAS:** Assistance from the State of Georgia is necessary to provide for the public's safety, protect public and private property, and restore the social and economic welfare of the State; and
- WHEREAS:** The Federal Motor Carrier Safety regulations, 49 C.F.R. 390, et seq., limit the hours of operators of commercial motor vehicles may drive; and
- WHEREAS:** 49 C.F.R. 390.23 allows the Governor of a State to suspend these rules and regulations for up to 30 days if the Governor determines that an emergency condition exists; and