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**EXECUTIVE ORDER
06-32**

Robin Carnahan
**SECRETARY OF STATE
COMMISSION DIVISION**

WHEREAS, I have been advised by the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency that several severe storm systems causing damages associated with tornados, high winds, hail, and flooding have impacted communities across the State of Missouri, including but not limited to the counties of Butler, Crawford, Dunklin, Iron, Madison, New Madrid, Perry, Phelps, Reynolds, Ripley, St. Francois and Washington; and

WHEREAS, the severe weather that began on September 22, 2006 has created a condition of distress and hazard to the safety, welfare, and property of the citizens of the State of Missouri beyond the capabilities of some local and other established agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is charged by law with protecting and enhancing the quality of Missouri's environment and with enforcing a variety of environmental rules and regulations; and

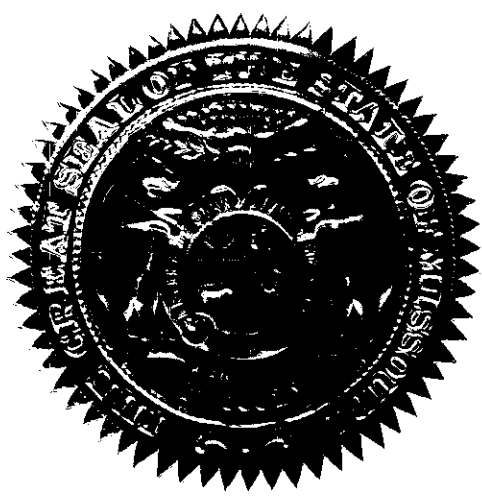
WHEREAS, Executive Order 06-31 was issued on September 23, 2006, declaring Missouri to be in a State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, to respond to the emergency and to expedite the cleanup and recovery process, it is necessary to adjust certain environmental rules and regulations on a temporary and short-term basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATT BLUNT, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Chapter 44, RSMo, do hereby issue the following order:

The Director of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is vested with full discretionary authority to temporarily waive or suspend the operation of any statutory or administrative rule or regulation currently in place under his purview in order to best serve the interest of the public health and safety during the period of the emergency and the subsequent recovery period. The authority granted by this Order shall terminate on October 23, 2006 unless extended in whole or in part.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, on this 26th day of September, 2006.



Matt Blunt

**Matt Blunt
Governor**

ATTEST:

Robin Carnahan

**Robin Carnahan
Secretary of State**