



PROCLAMATION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, the Person County Emergency Management Ordinance authorizes the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners to declare a State of Emergency when emergency situations exist in the County; and

WHEREAS, current weather projections indicate that a winter storm is anticipated to hit Person County starting on or about January 24, 2026, causing significant impacts; and

WHEREAS, the projected winter storm will likely damage public and private property and could seriously disrupt essential utility services and systems; and

WHEREAS, certain measures are necessary to ensure the protection and safety of Person County residents and to coordinate the emergency response among federal, state and local entities and officials; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the projected winter storm, I have determined there is an imminent threat of, or existing conditions have caused or will cause, widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property, and public safety authorities may be unable to maintain public order or afford adequate protection for lives or property, and

WHEREAS, the County plans to activate its Emergency Operations Center on January 24, 2026, at noon; and

WHEREAS, the County departments may be in need of State assistance or to activate county-to-county mutual aid agreements; and

WHEREAS, declaring a State of Emergency and imposing the restrictions and prohibitions ordered herein is necessary to maintain order and protect public health, safety, and welfare, and to secure property.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners of Person County under Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Person County Emergency Management Ordinance:

Section 1. A State of Emergency is hereby declared within the jurisdiction of Person County.

Section 2. The emergency area covered by this state of emergency shall be all of Person County outside the city limits of the City of Roxboro.

Section 3. The following restrictions and prohibitions are imposed in only those areas which are indicated by checking the block are activated:

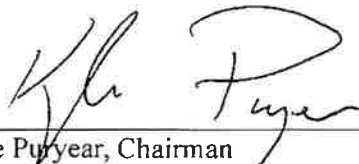
- Evacuation:** None
- Curfew:** None
- Alcohol:** None
- Dangerous Weapons & Substances:** None
- Restricted Access:** None
- Business Operations:** None
- Other:** This declaration activates the Person County Emergency Plan. Authorized personnel are authorized to seek help from the State of North Carolina or through mutual aid agreements, as necessary.

Section 4. I hereby order all Person County law enforcement officers and employees and all other emergency management personnel subject to our control to cooperate in the enforcement and implementation of the provisions of this Declaration, all applicable local ordinances, state and federal laws, and the Person County Emergency Operations Plan.

Section 5. I hereby order this declaration: (a) to be distributed to the news media and other organizations calculated to bring its contents to the attention of the general public; (b) to be filed with Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners; and (c) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

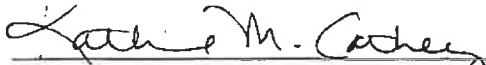
Section 6. This declaration shall take effect immediately, and shall remain in effect until February 6, 2026, at noon unless modified or rescinded according to law.

DECLARED this the 23rd day of January, 2026 at 10 a.m.



Kyle Puyear, Chairman
Person County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:


Katherine M. Cathey, County Manager