

Executive Order No. 2015-26

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2015, I issued Executive Order 2015-25, declaring a State of Emergency for response and recovery operations for the damage caused by significant rain and flooding for the counties in South Carolina declared federal disaster areas under the Presidential Major Disaster Declaration; and

WHEREAS, the State, in coordination with the federal government, has undertaken efforts to help citizens, businesses, and property owners recover from the devastating effects of the flood; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency has appointed a Federal Disaster Recovery Coordinator pursuant to the National Disaster Recovery Framework, and it is proper and fitting that I appoint a state counterpart to guide the short- and long-term recovery efforts of the counties declared federal disaster areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, by the virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor, pursuant to the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina, I hereby appoint Kevin A. Shwedo as the State Disaster Recovery Coordinator for the State of South Carolina to coordinate with the Federal Disaster Recovery Coordinator and federal agencies along with local governments, businesses, nonprofits, and other organizations to establish short- and long-term recovery plans for the counties declared federal disaster areas under the Presidential Major Declaration.

FURTHER, I hereby direct the State Disaster Recovery Coordinator to make recommendations to the Governor for short- and long-term recovery efforts based upon an assessment of areas including but not limited to Community Planning and Capacity Building Recovery, Economic Recovery, Infrastructure Systems Recovery, Natural and Cultural Resources Recovery, Health and Social Services Recovery, and Housing Recovery.

I shall direct resources to the State Disaster Recovery Coordinator as deemed necessary to fulfill this mission.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH
CAROLINA, THIS 19th DAY OF
OCTOBER, 2015.**

**NIKKI R. HALEY
Governor**