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Governor's Memorandum Regarding Drought

TO: Executive Directors, Departments of State Government

FROM: John Hickenlooper, Governor, State of Colorado

RE: Deactivation of the Colorado Drought Mitigation and Response Plan

September 15, 2015

Dear State Department Executive Directors,

Given recent precipitation, reservoir storage and overall water availability drought conditions throughout Colorado have greatly improved, and the state's agricultural producers no longer anticipate drought related impacts to their production.

Under these circumstances, and based on a recommendation from Directors of the Departments of Natural Resources, Agriculture and Local Affairs, I have decided to deactivate the State's Drought Mitigation and Response Plan, Drought Task Force and the Agricultural Impact Task Force on September 15, 2015. These groups have fulfilled their duties and are no longer needed to help facilitate and support response to conditions that impact the state and the agricultural sector.

As of the date of this memorandum, the State's Drought Mitigation and Response Plan, Drought Task Force and the Agricultural Impact Task Force will be deactivated for the entire state. As specified in the Plan, the Drought Task Force and the Agricultural Impact Task Force will cease meeting and cease active drought response activities. We will continue to closely monitor drought conditions to ensure timely and thorough state response moving forward.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.

Sincerely,

Governor John Hickenlooper