

State of Connecticut

By His Excellency

Ned Lamont

Executive Order 24-1

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2024 I issued a declaration of civil preparedness emergency regarding the Fitchville Pond Dam located in Bozrah, as a result of heavy rainfall, warm temperatures, and melting snowpack which have significantly increased the water levels in the Yantic River, thereby requiring emergency work at the Fitchville Pond Dam located in Bozrah in order to protect the life and property of Connecticut residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, I NED LAMONT, Governor of the State of Connecticut, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Connecticut, including section 28-9 of the General Statutes, do hereby **ORDER AND DIRECT**:

1. Emergency Repair to Protect Human Health. The requirement of section 22a-402(a) that the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection issue an order to each person owning or having control of a dam, which order "shall fix the time within which" such dam shall be placed in "a safe condition" before the Commissioner may carry out the actions required to place the dam in a safe condition, is hereby modified to authorize the Commissioner to immediately carry out any repairs necessary to place Fitchville Pond Dam in a safe condition and abate the emergency which presents a clear and present danger to public safety without prior issuance of an order.

This order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect for the duration of the aforementioned state of emergency or six months, whichever is earlier, unless earlier modified or revoked by me.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 10th day of January, 2024.



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Governor

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