WHEREAS, Arizona Revised Statutes, Chapter 2 - Emergency Management, Article 1, Section 26-301 through 26-318 outline certain responsibilities and authorities for disaster preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with A.R. S. 26-305, there is established in the Department of Emergency and Military Affairs, the Division of Emergency Management which is administered by the Department under the authority of the Adjutant General, subject to powers vested in the Governor as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Adjutant General has delegated the responsibility to the Director, Division of Emergency Management to prepare for and coordinate those emergency management activities which may be required to reduce the impact of disaster on persons or property; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with this responsibility, the Director, Arizona Division of Emergency Management has reviewed the current state emergency operations plan and has recommended that a new Arizona Emergency Response and Recovery Plan be promulgated by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, state agencies play a vital role in emergency and disaster preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation activities:

NOW, THEREFORE, I JANE DEE HULL, as Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Arizona by the Constitution and the laws of this state, do hereby promulgate and issue this February 1998 edition of the State of Arizona Emergency Response and Recovery Plan, and direct the following:

1. That the Director, Arizona Division of Emergency Management shall update this plan periodically and test the quality of the plan through exercises.
   a. That a decision to activate the State of Arizona Emergency Operations Center shall constitute implementation of the plan.
   b. That the plan shall prescribe the rules and regulations for emergency and disaster operations anywhere in the State of Arizona.
   c. That each state agency assigned a primary or secondary responsibility in the plan shall prepare implementing procedures which describe provisions for carrying out the various emergency functions in this plan.
   d. That each state agency shall participate in an annual review and update of this plan and implementing agency procedures.

2. That the Director, Arizona Division of Emergency Management shall be authorized to activate and deactivate the State of Arizona Emergency Operations Center and to exercise overall direction and control of state emergency or disaster operations.
   a. The Director, Arizona Division of Emergency Management shall maintain the necessary materials, including telephone lists for all possible responders in the State Emergency Operations Center at all times to effectively respond to statewide emergency and disaster situations.
b. The Director, Arizona Division of Emergency Management shall keep records of the disaster response as it occurs, tracking missions assigned and completed, for use during the response effort and review afterward.

c. The Director, Arizona Division of Emergency shall formally critique the response coordination efforts and produce after action reports that identify areas needing improvement during the response effort and for review afterward.

3. That each state agency shall appoint an emergency coordinator and an alternate to act on behalf of the agency during an emergency or disaster, and will furnish the name and contact telephone numbers to the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management, and will:

   a. Staff the Arizona Emergency Operations Center with personnel during training exercises and during emergencies and disasters as requested by the Director, Arizona Division of Emergency Management.

   b. Maintain and operate a 24 hour response capability when this plan is implemented.

   e. Maintain logs, records and reporting systems required by state and federal disaster assistance laws, rules and regulations.

4. That all other state agencies not assigned a primary or support role in this plan shall carry out whatever duties or services may be specified or directed by the Governor.

5. That this plan supersedes the Arizona Emergency Operations Plan dated February 18, 1994, which should be destroyed.

6. That Executive Order 76-7 (August 3, 1976) is hereby rescinded.

   IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

   GOVERNOR

   DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this ________ day of February in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Eight and of the Independence of the United States the Two Hundred and Twenty First.

   ATTEST:

   SECRETARY OF STATE