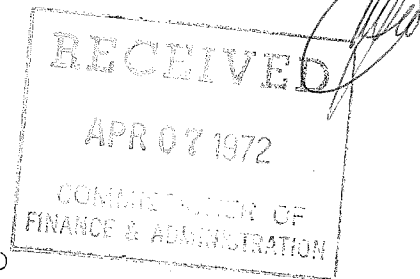


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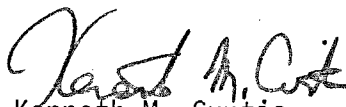
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Since President Nixon declared Maine a Disaster Area from storms during February, 1972, many municipalities are submitting damage reports to the Maine Civil Defense and Public Safety Agency. Federal regulations require that these damage reports be processed within 90 days, or in this case, prior to June 5, 1972.

These damage reports have been delegated to the appropriate federal and state agencies for processing. Damages along the coast of Maine have been delegated to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers for follow-up. Since the Corps of Engineers has no counterpart state agency with overall jurisdiction of structures for control of coastal shoreline erosion, I do hereby designate the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission to serve in this capacity for the length of time necessary to process these flood damage reports. Federal regulation stipulates that representatives of a state agency must accompany federal officials on damage estimate inspection trips.

Due to the urgency of this matter and the importance of orderly processing of damage reports to enable municipalities to receive federal disaster relief assistance, the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission is authorized to hire additional temporary employees for the time necessary to process these flood damage reports.


Kenneth M. Curtis
Governor