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**TROPICAL STORM ELSA
SECOND EMERGENCY ORDER
(Pursuant to Executive Order Nos. 21-150, 21-151, and 21-152)**

WHEREAS, on July 3, 2021, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 21-150 regarding Tropical Storm Elsa; and

WHEREAS, the National Hurricane Center reported that Elsa had sustained maximum winds of almost 75 miles per hour and could restrengthen once in the Gulf of Mexico and return to hurricane strength; and

WHEREAS, On July 5, 2021, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 21-151 modifying the geographical scope of the emergency based upon changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, it became forecasted that Elsa would strengthen into a hurricane tonight before making landfall along Florida's West Coast; and

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2021, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 21-152 further modifying the geographical scope of the emergency based upon changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, there is a risk of dangerous storm surge, heavy rainfall, flash flooding, strong winds, hazardous seas, and the potential for isolated tornadic activity for western portions of Florida's Peninsula and portions of the Florida Big Bend, and North Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation is prepared to deploy resources to support the disaster response efforts related to Elsa.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KEVIN J. THIBAUT, P.E., Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation, hereby find that the Department of Transportation's timely performance of disaster response functions related to Elsa is hindered by the application of procedures imposed by statute, rule, or order.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority granted by Section 4(E) of Executive Order 21-150, and the geographical modification in Executive Orders 21-151 and 21-152, I hereby:

1. Amend section 3 of the Department's Tropical Storm Elsa Emergency Order to include Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Nassau, Putnam, and Union Counties, and remove Franklin County.
2. All other provisions of the Department's Tropical Storm Elsa Emergency Order remain in full effect.
3. All actions taken by the Florida Department of Transportation with respect to this emergency before the issuance of this Emergency Order are hereby ratified.

This order shall expire on the earlier of the expiration or rescission of Executive Order 21-150 or Monday August 2, 2021. Effective this 6th day of July 2021.



Kevin J. Thibault, P.E., Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation