



Department of Public Safety

Notice of Emergency Procurement

Related to Utah Administrative Code 63G-6A-803 and Administrative Rule R33-108-401.

Department contact name and title:

Department contact name and title:	Denice Smith, DPS Purchasing Agent
Date emergency occurred or began:	8.25.26
Date DPS Procurement was notified:	8/11/2026 Request by Millard County
Vendor Name:	Mammoth Machinery
Total estimated cost:	\$24,000.00 approximately (30-day rental with delivery to and from location)

Description of the specific emergency that necessitated the emergency procurement:

Trackhoe (CAT 336 with thumb attachment or equivalent) or higher for the use of a critical component of the mission request.

1. Currently, all statewide contracts for excavation equipment have been exhausted, and they have no more equipment they can provide the state. (see attached list - State Vendor referred us to Mammoth a competitor to check their inventory.)
2. Widemouth 2 fire in Millard County is calculated at 125,082 acres and 30% containment
3. It is Utah's largest wildfire of 2026
4. Millard County has declared a disaster under 53-2a-208.

53-2a-207. The DEM Director (currently Kris Hamlet) may use funds authorized by the Disaster Response and Recovery Act to provide "emergency purchase of response equipment and supplies in direct support of a disaster".

*Used emergency procurement. DEM Director Hamlet has the authority to expend funds under 53-2a-207.

Called all state vendors and could not locate a trackhoe the size required. DEM has tapped out all state vendor stock due to the ongoing fires in several counties. Mammoth was the only vendor with an available machine and could make a delivery within 24 hours.

Name of the highest-ranking government official who approved emergency procurement:

Director Kris Hamlet of DEM under 53-2a-207.

Was a written contract issued for this emergency procurement? If Yes, attach the contract. NO.



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State Contracts contacted that did not have an available a 336 excavator or bigger with thumb

1 message

James Ray <jray@utah.gov>

Tue, Aug 11, 2026 at 7:12 PM

To: Denice Smith <denicesmith@utah.gov>

Contacts for each of the State Contracts that did not have an available option for an excavator Cat 336 with thumb equivalent or bigger:

- Herc: (Phone call on 8/10/2026, 2:41 PM) Clinton Andreason, Territory Sales Rep, Herc Rentals Inc. | [2120 South 3600 West, West Valley City, UT 84119](#), O 801-977-9944 | C 801-824-9148, Clinton.Andreason@hercrentals.com, www.hercrentals.com
- Century Equipment: (Phone call on 8/11/2026 10:24 AM): Coby Bohn, Parts Manager, Century Equipment, 482 North Main Street, Cedar City Utah 84721, 435-586-4406
- CAT Wheeler: (Phone call 8/10/2026 at 2:20 PM) Tyson Short | Rental Coordinator | Wheeler Machinery Co. [451 North Lund Highway Cedar City 84720 Office: +1 \(435\) 267-1201](#) | Cell: 385-210-4682, tshort@wheelercat.com | www.wheelercat.com
- United Rental: (Phone call 8/11/2026 at 12:39 PM) Travis Woodward, Strategic Account Manager, [1801 E. Allison Rd Cheyenne, WY 82007](#), Cell: 307-996-6190, twoodward@ur.com
- Sunbelt: (Phone call on 8/11/2026 at 2:38 PM) Aaron Verduin | Sunbelt Rentals, Inc. | PC 0505, [55 East 2400 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84115](#), Cell: (801) 819-9959 | Office: (801) 486-0055 | Fax: 801-486-0059

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Fwd: Emergency: Quick Response Needed: Looking for Equivalent to CAT 336 with Thumb

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James Ray <jray@utah.gov>
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Tue, Aug 11, 2026 at 2:06 PM

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From: **Jeffery Alvey** <jeffery@mammothmachinery.com>
Date: Tue, Aug 11, 2026 at 1:41 PM
Subject: Re: Emergency: Quick Response Needed: Looking for Equivalent to CAT 336 with Thumb
To: James Ray <jray@utah.gov>

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Jeffery Alvey
801-404-1139

From: James Ray <jray@utah.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2026 12:56 PM
To: Jeffery Alvey <jeffery@mammothmachinery.com>
Cc: Braden Norris <bnorris@utah.gov>; Danielle Smith <daniellesmith@utah.gov>; Denice Smith <denicesmith@utah.gov>
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To: Ryan Reeder <rreeder@utah.gov>, "Melanie Dijkstra (GovOps)" <mdijkstra@utah.gov>

Cc: "Jody Fetzter (GovOps)" <jfetzer@utah.gov>, "Angi Kaufusi (GovOps)" <akaufusi@utah.gov>, "Kevin Lucus (GovOps)" <klucus@utah.gov>, Brandi Place <bplace@utah.gov>, James Ray <jray@utah.gov>

Hi Melanie and Ryan,

I am forwarding you an email that includes pricing we have for a vendor not on contract (Mammoth Machinery). DEM has a request from Millard County for a 326 Trackhoe with a thumb attachment, but none of the state contracts can currently provide. We started with this list below -

Contract ID	Portfolio	Contractor Name	Expiry Date	Detail
PA5091	Heavy Equipment Rental	HERC RENTALS INC.	Sep 30 2027	View Details
PA5092	Heavy Equipment Rental	SUNBELT RENTALS	Sep 30 2027	View Details
PA5093	Heavy Equipment Rental	UNITED RENTALS NORTH AMERICA INC.	Sep 30 2027	View Details

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and these other contracts we have used, such as Wheeler PA5143, and Century MA4813.

No one has a trackhoe of this requested size or larger with a thumb attachment.

We were referred to Mammoth by Sunbelt, which has a 470 trackhoe with a thumb attachment ready right now. This is just larger than the 326 we asked for. We will need this for at least 30 days, but possibly up to 90 days. They are offering it to us for \$15K a month.

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The other machines we have already rented are in Beaver County and are currently being used there.

Is this something you could help us with, or provide any additional contract we could use? We need to move on with this as soon as possible. We are asking Mammoth about delivery and pickup costs, so we will need to consider those as well. We have tapped the state contracts and, without using an emergency purchase, are asking for help and any guidance on this.

Respectfully,

Denice

Denice Smith

Purchasing Agent

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It always seems impossible until it's done.

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CONTRACT: YES ☐ NO ☒	
Vendor Name: Mammoth	
Contract Number: Purch-01 Emergency Purchase	