President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. Signs Major Declaration for West Virginia

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA announced federal emergency aid has been made available to the state of West Virginia to supplement state and local recovery efforts in areas affected by severe storms from flooding from Feb. 27- March 4, 2021.

The President's action makes federal funding available to affected individuals in Cabell, Kanawha, Mingo and Wayne counties.

Assistance can include grants for temporary housing and home repairs, low-cost loans to cover uninsured property losses and other programs to help individuals and business owners recover from the effects of the disaster.

Individuals and business owners who sustained losses in the designated area can begin applying for assistance by registering online at <u>www.DisasterAssistance.gov</u> or by calling 1-800-621-3362 or 1-800-462-7585 TTY. The toll-free telephone numbers will operate from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. (local time) seven days a week until further notice.

Federal funding is also available to state and eligible local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations on a cost-sharing basis for emergency work and the repair or replacement of facilities damaged by the severe storms and flooding in the counties of Boone, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Mingo and Wayne.

Federal funding is available on a cost-sharing basis for hazard mitigation measures statewide.

Jeffrey L. Jones has been named as the Federal Coordinating Officer for federal response operations for the affected areas. Additional designations may be made later if requested by the state and warranted by the results of further assessments.



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