

# President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. Approves Emergency Declaration for Louisiana

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA announced that federal emergency aid has been made available to the state of Louisiana to supplement state, tribal and local response efforts to the emergency conditions in the areas affected by Tropical Storm Nicholas, beginning on Sept. 12, 2021 and continuing.

The President's action authorizes FEMA to coordinate all disaster relief efforts, which have the purpose of alleviating the hardship and suffering caused by the emergency on the local population, and to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures, authorized under Title 5 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, to save lives, protect property, public health and safety and to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe. This assistance is for all 64 Louisiana parishes.

Specifically, FEMA is authorized to provide emergency protective measures, limited to direct federal assistance and reimbursement for mass care including evacuation and shelter support under the Public Assistance program at 75 % federal funding.

John E. Long has been named as the Federal Coordinating Officer for federal response operations in the affected areas.



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