## **President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. Approves Major Disaster Declaration for Oklahoma**

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA announced that federal disaster assistance is available to the state of Oklahoma to supplement recovery efforts in the areas affected by severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes and flooding from May 19-28, 2024.

The President's action makes federal funding available to affected individuals in Blaine, Caddo, Custer, Delaware, Jackson, Mayes, Muskogee and Rogers 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.

Public Assistance federal funding is also available to state, tribal and eligible local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations on a cost-sharing basis for emergency protective measures and the repair or replacement of disasterdamaged facilities in Blaine, Delaware, Mayes and Rogers counties.

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

Maona N. Ngwira has been named the Federal Coordinating Officer for federal recovery operations in the affected areas. Additional designations may be made at a later date if warranted by the results of damage assessments.

Individuals and business owners who sustained losses in the designated areas can begin applying for assistance by registering online at <u>www.DisasterAssistance.gov</u>, by calling 1-800-621- 3362 or by using the <u>FEMA</u> <u>App</u>. If you use a relay service, such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA the number for that service.



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