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

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WASHINGTON-- FEMA announced that federal disaster assistance has been made available to the state of Maine to supplement recovery efforts in the areas affected by severe storms and flooding on Jan. 9-13, 2024.

The president's action makes federal funding available to affected individuals in Cumberland, Hancock, Knox, Lincoln, Sagadahoc, Waldo, Washington and York counties.

Federal funding also is available to state, tribal 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 Cumberland, Hancock, Knox, Lincoln, Sagadahoc, Waldo, Washington and York counties.

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

Robert V. Fogel 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 requested by the state and warranted by the results of further assessments.

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

