

President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. Approves Major Declaration for North Carolina

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA announced that federal disaster assistance has been made available to the state of North Carolina to supplement state, tribal and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by the remnants of Tropical Storm Fred, from Aug. 16-18, 2021.

The President's action makes federal funding available to affected individuals in Buncombe, Haywood and Transylvania 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 areas can begin applying for assistance by registering online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or by calling 1-800-621-3362 or 1-800-462-7585 TTY for the hearing and speech impaired.

Federal funding is also available to state, tribal and eligible local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations on a cost-sharing basis under FEMA's Public Assistance program for emergency work and the repair or replacement of facilities damaged in areas affected by the remnants of Tropical Storm Fred in Avery, Buncombe, Haywood, Madison, Transylvania, Watauga and Yancey counties.

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

John F. Boyle has been named as the Federal Coordinating Officer for federal response operations in 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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