



FEMA

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The Honorable Andy Beshear
Governor of Kentucky
Capitol Building, Suite 100
700 Capitol Avenue
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Dear Governor Beshear:

This is in response to your May 20, 2025, request for a major disaster declaration for the Commonwealth of Kentucky as a result of severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes, flooding, landslides, and mudslides beginning on May 16, 2025, and continuing. You specifically requested Individual Assistance for eight counties, assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B) under the Public Assistance program for 22 counties, and Hazard Mitigation for the entire commonwealth. Following the declaration, the Alternate Governor's Authorized Representative Eric Gibson requested all categories of the Public Assistance program for 40 counties.

The May 23, 2025, major disaster declaration FEMA-4875-DR and subsequent amendments authorized Individual Assistance for Caldwell, Laurel, Pulaski, Russell, Trigg, and Union Counties and all categories of Public Assistance for Adair, Allen, Barren, Breathitt, Butler, Caldwell, Carlisle, Casey, Christian, Clay, Clinton, Crittenden, Cumberland, Estill, Jackson, Knott, Knox, Larue, Laurel, Lee, Livingston, Logan, Lyon, Marshall, McCreary, Menifee, Metcalfe, Owsley, Powell, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell, Spencer, Todd, Trigg, Union, Warren, Wayne, and Whitley Counties.

The impact to individuals and households was significant in the areas designated for Individual Assistance and Public Assistance. However, based on the results of the joint federal, commonwealth, and local government Preliminary Damage Assessments, it has been determined that the impact to the individuals and households in Christian and Todd Counties is not of the severity and magnitude to warrant their designation under the Individual Assistance program. In addition, it has been determined that the damage to the infrastructure in Leslie County is not of the severity and magnitude to warrant its designation under the Public Assistance program. Finally, it has been determined that your request for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program is not warranted. Therefore, your request for Individual Assistance and Public Assistance for these counties and Hazard Mitigation for the entire commonwealth is denied.

This denial may be appealed within 30 days after the date of this letter. The appeal, along with additional information justifying the appeal, should be submitted to the President through Robert P. Ashe, Acting Regional Administrator, FEMA Region IV, located at 3005 Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. A. Turi', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Keith A. Turi
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Office of Response and Recovery