



**FEMA**

APR 22 2025

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

Dear Governor Beshear:

This is in response to your February 17, 2025, request for a major disaster declaration for the Commonwealth of Kentucky as a result of severe storms, straight-line winds, flooding, landslides, and mudslides during the period of February 14 to March 7, 2025. You specifically requested Individual Assistance for 22 counties, Public Assistance for 69 counties, and Hazard Mitigation for the entire commonwealth.

The February 24, 2025, major disaster declaration FEMA-4860-DR and subsequent amendments authorized Individual Assistance for 16 counties, Public Assistance Category B for 68 counties, Public Assistance Categories A and C-G for 67 counties, and Hazard Mitigation for the entire commonwealth.

The impact to individuals and households and the infrastructure was significant in the areas designated for Individual Assistance and Public Assistance. However, based on the results of the joint Preliminary Damage Assessments, it has been determined that the impact to the individuals and households in Butler, Franklin, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, and Whitley Counties is not of the severity and magnitude to warrant their designation under the Individual Assistance program. Therefore, your request for Individual Assistance for these counties is denied. In addition, it has been determined that the impact to the infrastructure in Simpson and Woodford Counties is not of the severity and magnitude to warrant their designation under the Public Assistance program. Therefore, your request for Public Assistance Categories A and C-G for Simpson County is denied and your request for all categories of Public Assistance, including direct federal assistance for Woodford County is denied.

These denials 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 me through Robert D. Samaan, Regional Administrator, FEMA Region 4, located at 3005 Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keith A. Turi".

Keith A. Turi  
Associate Administrator (Acting)  
Office of Response and Recovery