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WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

April 24, 2025

Wildfire Activity

New Jersey

- The Jones Road Wildfire has now scorched more than 20 square miles in southern New Jersey.
- As of early Thursday morning, the fire was 50% contained according to the New Jersey Forest Fire Service.
- As many as 5,000 people were forced to evacuate their neighborhoods Tuesday night as the fire raced toward homes in Ocean County and shut down part of the Garden State Parkway.
- The fire started around 9:45 a.m. EDT in the Greenwood Forest Wildlife Management Area and exploded in size by Tuesday night, threatening more than 1,300 structures in the Ocean and Lacey townships, according to the New Jersey Fire Service.
- Wednesday morning, all evacuation orders were lifted for Lacey and Ocean townships, the city's police department announced.
- Acting Governor Tahesha Way declared a state of emergency in Ocean County, but said no homes had been damaged.



Disaster Update

DR-4860 Kentucky

- Following widespread flooding in February in Kentucky, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has denied individual assistance to Butler, Franklin, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, and Whitley counties, Gov. Andy Beshear announced Wednesday. FEMA also denied public assistance to Simpson and Woodford counties.
- Governor Beshear said he plans to appeal FEMA's decision.
- "While we are grateful to have gotten an Expedited Major Disaster Declaration for the February flooding, which has authorized at least some level of public assistance for local governments in 68 counties and individual assistance for Kentuckians in 16 counties, we are disappointed to receive this latest news," Beshear said.

Preliminary Damage Assessments

Michigan

- Residents in Northern Michigan may soon receive visits from state and federal agencies to conduct damage assessments in areas hit hardest by the March 28-30 ice storm that downed trees and powerlines, blocked roads and disrupted services.
- Joint teams will be deployed to Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Mackinac, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle counties.

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- Damage assessments will take place in two phases. From April 22–25, the teams will evaluate homes and businesses for potential FEMA Individual Assistance programs.
- From April 28–May 2, the teams will assess damage to public infrastructure and response costs for potential FEMA public assistance.

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Start-End
		Requested	Completed	
MS	Tornadoes, Thunderstorms, and Flash Flooding Ap 2-6	4	0	4/23 - TBD
MI	Ice Storm Mar 28	12	0	4/21 - TBD
MO	Severe Storms, Flooding, and Tornadoes Mar 30 and continuing	20	17	4/15 - TBD
OR	Storms and Flooding Mar 13 and continuing	4	3	4/7 - TBD

Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request

State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied/ Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes
OK*	Wildfires and Straight-line Winds	3/21/2025	Pending	7 Counties
MS*	Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	4/1/2025	Pending	11 Counties
MO*	Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes	4/2/2025	Pending	25 Counties
KY	Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	4/11/2025	Pending	13 Counties
TX	Severe Storms and Flooding	4/17/2025	Pending	4 Counties
AR	Severe Storms and Tornadoes (Appeal)	4/18/2025	Pending	9 Counties
TN	Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes and Flooding	4/18/2025	Pending	15 Counties

*Award of task order to contractor pending

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WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters

Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline
4781 TX	Severe Storms & Flooding	40 Counties	37	8/15/2024
4819 IL	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-Line Winds & Flooding	7 Counties	37	12/13/2024
4827 NC	Tropical Storm Helene	25 Counties	205	4/07/2025
4828 FL	Hurricane Helene	31 Counties	35	1/07/2025
4829 SC	Hurricane Helene	13 Counties	204	1/28/2025
4830 GA	Hurricane Helene	41 Counties	204	2/07/2025
4834 FL	Hurricane Milton	34 Counties	193	1/07/2025
4860 KY	Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	14 Counties	57	5/25/2025

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