

implemented by the Emergency Management Priorities and Allocations System (EMPAS) regulation (44 CFR part 333) which was added by FEMA's May 13, 2020 Emergency Management Priorities and Allocations System Interim Final Rule (RIN 1660-AB04). The purpose of this authority is to ensure the timely delivery of products, materials, and services to meet current national defense requirements. The definition of "national defense" in Section 702(14) of the DPA provides that this term includes "homeland security," "emergency preparedness activities" conducted pursuant to Section 602 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act) (42 U.S.C. 5195a), and "critical infrastructure protection and restoration."

### Collection of Information

*Title:* Requests for Special Priorities Assistance.

*Type of Information Collection:* Revision of a currently approved information collection.

*OMB Number:* 1660-0149.

*FEMA Form:* FEMA Form 009-0-142, Requests for Special Priorities Assistance.

*Abstract:* Contractors may request Special Priorities Assistance (SPA) when placing rated orders with suppliers, to obtain timely delivery of products, materials or services from suppliers, or for any other reason under the EMPAS, in support of approved national programs. Additionally, when responding to COVID-19, State and local governments, owners, operators, and the private sector may request SPA. FEMA Form 009-0-142 is used to apply for such assistance.

*Affected Public:* For-Profit Business; Private Non-Profit; State, local or Tribal government.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 20.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 20.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 5.

*Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost:* \$288.

*Estimated Respondents' Operation and Maintenance Costs:* None.

*Estimated Respondents' Capital and Start-Up Costs:* None.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Federal Government:* \$52,857.

### Comments

Comments may be submitted as indicated in the ADDRESSES caption above. Comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data

collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-4556-DR; Docket ID FEMA-2020-0001]

### Arkansas; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Arkansas (FEMA-4556-DR), dated July 10, 2020, and related determinations.

**DATES:** The declaration was issued July 10, 2020.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dean Webster, Office of Response and Recovery, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2833.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated July 10, 2020, the President issued a major disaster declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* (the "Stafford Act"), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Arkansas due to

damage resulting from severe storms and straight-line winds on April 12, 2020, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* (the "Stafford Act"). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Arkansas.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Public Assistance in the designated areas and Hazard Mitigation throughout the State. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration for the approved assistance to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Roland Jackson, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this major disaster.

The following areas of the State of Arkansas have been designated as adversely affected by this major disaster:

Arkansas, Bradley, Cleveland, Dallas, Desha, Drew, Grant, Jefferson, Lincoln, and Ouachita Counties for Public Assistance.

All areas within the State of Arkansas are eligible for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households In Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance—Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.036, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.

**Pete Gaynor,**

*Administrator, Federal Emergency  
Management Agency.*

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