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Public Assistance Approved for Anderson and Woodson Counties

Lenexa, KS—The State of Kansas and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) announced today that two additional Kansas counties are now eligible to apply for state and federal disaster assistance to repair or replace infrastructure damaged by the tornadoes and severe storms that began on May 4, and continuing.

Governmental entities in **Anderson** and **Woodson** counties can apply for help with eligible costs associated with debris removal, emergency protective measures, and repairing or replacing damaged public facilities. Disaster assistance also may be provided to repair, restore or replace facilities owned by certain private, nonprofit organizations that operate and maintain educational, utility, emergency, medical, custodial care or other essential governmental service facilities.

Kansas State Coordinating Officer Chuck Bredahl said, "The Public Assistance declaration will help these counties with needed financial assistance to repair or replace damaged public property. This assistance will go a long way toward restoring much needed public services."

The first step toward providing assistance will be an applicant's briefing for local officials and certain nonprofit organizations. These briefings will be conducted by Kansas Emergency Management and FEMA. The dates and times will be announced soon.

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Note to Editors: Disaster information is available on FEMA's World Wide Web at <http://www.fema.gov>. KDEM information is available at www.accesskansas.org/KDEM. Information also is available through FEMA's 24-hour fax-on-demand service at 1-202-646-FEMA.