Local county approved for storm assistance

(KAIR)--A local county is among 12 in Kansas approved for federal storm damage assistance.

According to a press release issued Tuesday by the office of Kansas Governor Laura Kelly, Doniphan County is included with the others as President Donald Trump Tuesday approved the disaster declaration made by the State of Kansas.

The declaration ordered federal assistance to supplement state and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by severe storms, straight-line winds, and flooding from October 4 to October 15 last year.

Kelly, in the release, said that she is pleased the President approved the declaration, saying the "additional funds will assist state and local governments and certain non-profits recover from damages sustained as a result" of the severe weather.

Federal funding is available to state and eligible local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations on a cost-sharing basis for emergency work and the repair or replacement of facilities damaged by the severe storms

Federal funding is also available on a cost-sharing basis for hazard mitigation measures statewide. Other counties may be added to the request at a later date.

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