

# 2012 NORTHEAST AND CENTRAL MINNESOTA FLOODING (DR-4069)

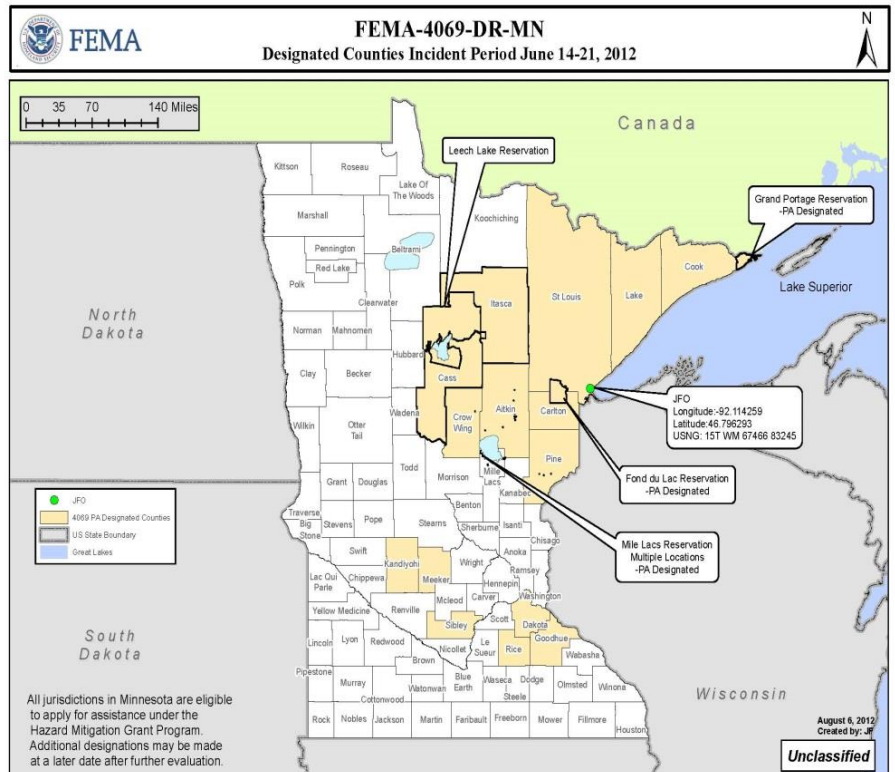
On July 6, 2012, The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) announced approval of a Presidential disaster declaration (DR-4069) for **Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation** in northeast and central Minnesota counties and tribal areas affected by severe storms and flooding during the period of June 14-21, 2012.

Counties and tribal lands included in the declaration are: **Aitkin, Carlton, Cass, Cook, Crow Wing, Dakota, Goodhue, Itasca, Kandiyohi, Lake, Meeker, Pine, Rice, Sibley, St. Louis, and the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, and the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe.**

The declaration includes two categories of assistance:

- **Public Assistance:** Assistance to state and local government and certain private non-profit organizations for emergency work and the repair or replacement of disaster-damaged facilities. This applies within the counties in the disaster area.
- **Hazard Mitigation Grant Program:** Assistance to state and local government and certain private nonprofit organizations for actions taken to prevent or reduce long-term risk to life and property from natural hazards. All counties in the state of Minnesota are eligible to apply for assistance under this program.

FEMA will fund 75 percent of the approved cost; the remaining 25 percent is a state/local match. Eligible work includes debris removal, emergency services related to the disaster and repair or replacement of damaged public facilities, such as roads, bridges, buildings, utilities and recreation areas.



## Total Cost (Eligible)

Public Assistance:

Total: **\$ 44,737,891 (as of 1/3/2013)**

The FEMA Public Assistance Program is a 75% reimbursement program

## State Disaster Recovery Funding

On August 24, 2012 Governor Mark Dayton signed a \$167 million disaster relief bill passed earlier in the day by a Special Session of the Minnesota State Legislature.

The bill included \$25 million in state funds to match FEMA Public Assistance funds to repair public infrastructure for the federally declared disaster area which included 15 counties and three tribal nations.

The Minnesota Recovers Task Force (MRTF) works with state agencies who reach out to local units of government and tribal communities which apply on behalf of individuals, businesses and certain private not for profit organizations. The Minnesota Recovers Task Force ensures applicants meet the eligibility criteria to receive state assistance funds.

The bill included the following funding:

- **Department of Public Safety**
  - \$500,000 for debris removal and disposal in the federally declared disaster area.
  - \$500,000 Long-term Recovery Assistance in the federally declared disaster area.
- **Department of Health**
  - \$565,000 for behavioral health and affected water systems.
- **Department of Education**
  - \$761,000 for enrollment impact aid and disaster relief facilities grants.
- **Public Facilities Authority**
  - \$6 million for infrastructure repair not covered under the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- **Minnesota Board of Water & Soil Resources**
  - Up to \$12.5 million to repair flood-damaged land, streams and related infrastructure.
- **Department of Agriculture**
  - \$600,000 for farm assistance.
- **Minnesota Historical Society**
  - \$250,000 for historic resource recovery.
- **Department of Natural Resources**
  - \$18.85 million for damage, debris removal and flood hazard mitigation.
- **Department of Employment and Economic Development**
  - \$15 million for the Minnesota Investment Fund to aid business owners.
- **Department of Transportation**
  - \$79 million for state trunk highways and bridges, local road and bridge reconstruction.
- **Minnesota Housing Finance Agency**
  - \$12.2 million for the Quick Start Disaster Recovery Program which provides a no-interest loan of up to \$40,000 for home repair. The loan is forgiven if the homeowner remains in the home for 10 years.

# Other Information

## News Releases

- [Jay Cooke State Park to Remain Closed for Now \(#18\)](#)
- [Disaster Relief Grants Available for Minnesota Veterans and Family \(#17\)](#)
- [Preliminary Damage Assessments Begin Tuesday \(#16\)](#)
- [Discover a Petroleum Leak or Spill of a Hazardous Substance? Play it Safe: Notify the Minnesota Duty Officer](#)
- [Monthly Tax Filing Deadlines to Be Extended for Businesses Affected by Flooding \(#14\)](#)
- [Minnesota Storm Damage Update \(#13\)](#)
- [Minnesotans in Need of Recovery Assistance or Looking to Help Should Contact Greater Duluth United Way \(Release #12\)](#)
- [I-35 is Open, DPS Commissioner Returns to Duluth Area \(Release #11\)](#)
- [State Requests FEMA Damage Assessment Teams \(Release #10\)](#)
- [Northeast Minnesota Flood Update \(Release #9\)](#)
- [MDA Advisory: Flood-Damaged Fruits and Vegetables Should Not Be Used as Food \(#8\)](#)
- [State Patrol Assisting in Moose Lake, Willow River Evacuating, New MnDOT Information \(Release #7\)](#)
- [Moose Lake Declares State of Emergency \(Release #6\)](#)
- [Northeast Minnesota Flood Updates \(Release #5\)](#)
- [Health Officials Address Concerns in Wake of NE Minn. Flooding \(Release #4\)](#)
- [Northeast Minnesota Flood Updates \(Release #3\)](#)
- [Northeast Minnesota Flood Updates \(Release #2\)](#)
- [State Emergency Operations Center Activated \(Release #1\)](#)

## Photos

Photos from this event are posted on the [DPS Flickr webpage](#).