

Dated: February 11, 2005.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency  
Management Agency, Emergency  
Preparedness and Response Directorate,  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for  
comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency  
Management Agency, as part of its  
continuing effort to reduce paperwork  
and respondent burden, invites the  
general public and other Federal  
agencies to take this opportunity to  
comment on a proposed continuing  
information collection. In accordance  
with the Paperwork Reduction Act of

1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), this  
notice seeks comments concerning the  
proposed collection of information.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The  
National Flood Insurance Program  
(NFIP) plays a critical role in FEMA's  
mission for reducing flood losses.  
Through the NFIP, communities must  
adopt and enforce floodplain  
management ordinances to reduce  
future flood losses. In exchange,  
FEMA's NFIP makes federally backed  
flood insurance available to property  
owners in these participating  
communities. According to the Flood  
Disaster Protection Act of 1973,  
Congress Findings and Declaration of  
Purpose, Section 2(a)(6), Congress finds  
that it is in the public interest for  
persons already living in flood prone  
areas to have an opportunity to  
purchase flood insurance and access to  
more adequate limits of coverage, so  
that they will be indemnified for their  
losses in the event of future flood  
disasters. In accordance with this  
finding, FEMA attempts to fulfill the  
requirement of The Flood Disaster  
Protection Act of 1973 by educating and  
assisting potential flood insurance  
purchasers and agents who voluntarily  
contact the National Flood Insurance  
Program Call Center.

### Collection of Information

**Title:** National Flood Insurance  
Program Call Center and Agent Referral  
Enrollment Program.

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

**OMB Number:** 1660-0059.

**Form Numbers:** FF 81-95.

**Abstract:** The National Flood  
Insurance Program Call Center and  
Agent Referral Enrollment Program are  
part of the overall FloodSmart  
marketing campaign aimed at increasing  
the number of net policies by 5 percent  
annually. The center's main objectives  
are: (1) To respond to consumers  
seeking information on the flood  
insurance program (including finding an  
insurance agent), (2) to provide a  
mechanism for insurance agents  
interested in selling flood insurance to  
voluntarily enroll in the agent referral  
program, and (3) to facilitate the  
purchasing process by connecting  
buyers and sellers together.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or  
Households, and Business or Other For-  
Profit.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden  
Hours:** 3,750 hours.

	No. of respondents (A)	Frequency of response (B)	Hours per response (C)	Annual burden hours (AxBxC)
Callers To The Call Center .....	69,000	1	.05	3,450
Agent Referral Enrollment Form—FEMA Form 81-95 .....	3,000	1	.07	210
Outbound Calls To Agents .....	1,200	1	.05	60
Outbound Calls To Consumers .....	600	1	.05	30
Total .....	73,800	1	.....	3,750

**Estimated Cost:** \$ 3,960.00.

**Comments:** Written 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. Comments should be

received within 60 days of the date of  
this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons should  
submit written comments to Muriel B.  
Anderson, Chief, Records Management,  
Information Resources Management  
Branch, Information Technology  
Services Division, Federal Emergency  
Management Agency, Emergency  
Preparedness and Response Directorate,  
Department of Homeland Security, 500  
C Street, SW., Room 316, Washington,  
DC 20472.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Contact Carolyn Goss, Program Analyst,  
Mitigation Division, Risk  
Communication Branch, 202-646-3468  
for additional information. You may  
contact Ms. Anderson for copies of the  
proposed collection of information at  
facsimile number (202) 646-3347 or

email address: [FEMA-Information-  
Collections@dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov).

Dated: January 25, 2005.

**Edward W. Kernan,**

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Management Division, Information  
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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1577-DR]

#### California; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

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

Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of California (FEMA-1577-DR), dated February 4, 2005, and related determinations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 4, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated February 4, 2005, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of California, resulting from severe storms, flooding, debris flows, and mudslides on December 27, 2004, through January 11, 2005, 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. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of California.

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 Individual Assistance, Public Assistance, and Hazard Mitigation in the designated areas; and any other forms of assistance under the Stafford Act you may deem appropriate. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance, Hazard Mitigation, and the Other Needs Assistance under Section 408 of the Stafford Act will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

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

The time period prescribed for the implementation of section 310(a), Priority to Certain Applications for Public Facility and Public Housing Assistance, 42 U.S.C. 5153, shall be for a period not to exceed six months after the date of this declaration.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Under Secretary for Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, David Fukutomi, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of California to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

Los Angeles and Ventura Counties for Individual Assistance.

Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura Counties for Public Assistance.

Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura Counties in the State of California are eligible to apply 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 Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050, Individuals and Households Program—Other Needs, 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

**Michael D. Brown,**

*Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1579-DR]

### Kansas; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Kansas (FEMA-1579-DR), dated February 8, 2005, and related determinations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 8, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated February 8, 2005, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42

U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Kansas, resulting from severe winter storms, heavy rains, and flooding on January 4-6, 2005, 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. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Kansas.

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; Hazard Mitigation throughout the State; and any other forms of assistance under the Stafford Act you may deem appropriate. Direct Federal Assistance is authorized, if warranted. 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. If Other Needs Assistance under Section 408 of the Stafford Act is later requested and warranted, Federal funding under that program will also be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration 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 Under Secretary for Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Thomas J. Costello, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of Kansas to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

Anderson, Atchison, Barber, Butler, Chase, Chautauqua, Clark, Coffey, Comanche, Cowley, Crawford, Douglas, Elk, Franklin, Greenwood, Harper, Harvey, Jefferson, Kingman, Lyon, Marion, Morris, Osage, Pratt, Reno, Rice, Sedgwick, Shawnee, Sumner, Wabaunsee, Woodson, and Wyandotte Counties for Public Assistance.

All counties within the State of Kansas are eligible to apply 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 Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050, Individuals and Households