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Between 1954 and 2018, New Jersey has been included in 107 FEMA major disaster declarations (DR), emergency declarations (EM), or fire management assistance declarations (FMA). The 2014 State Plan discussed FEMA declarations in New Jersey that occurred between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2012. For this Plan update, FEMA declarations for New Jersey that occurred between January 1, 2013 and July 1, 2018 will be described further in this Appendix. With documentation being so extensive, not all sources have been identified or researched. Therefore, not all information may be included in the descriptions below.

FEMA DR-4231 New Jersey Severe Storm – July 23, 2015

On July 13, 2015, Governor Chris Christie requested a major disaster declaration due to a severe storm on June 23, 2015. The Governor requested a declaration for Public Assistance for four counties and Hazard Mitigation statewide. During the period of June 27 to July 9, 2015, joint federal, state, and local government Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) were conducted in the requested counties and are summarized below. PDAs estimate damages immediately after an event and are considered, along with several other factors, in determining whether a disaster is of such severity and magnitude that effective response is beyond the capabilities of the state and the affected local governments, and that Federal assistance is necessary (FEMA, 2018).

On July 22, 2015, President Obama declared that a major disaster exists in the State of New Jersey. This declaration made Public Assistance requested by the Governor 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 storm in Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, and Gloucester Counties. This declaration also made Hazard Mitigation Grant Program assistance requested by the Governor available for hazard mitigation measures statewide (FEMA, 2018).

Public Assistance - Dollars Approved

- Total Public Assistance Grants (PA) - Dollars Obligated = $12,627,290.91
- Emergency Work (Categories A-B) - Dollars Obligated = $11,716,297.00
- Permanent Work (Categories C-G) - Dollars Obligated = $499,138.91
On February 11, 2016, Governor Chris Christie requested a major disaster declaration due to a severe winter storm and snowstorm during the period of January 22-24, 2016. The Governor requested a declaration for Public Assistance for 17 counties, snow assistance for 14 counties, and Hazard Mitigation statewide. During the period of February 2-5, 2016, joint federal, state, and local government Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) were conducted in the requested counties and are summarized below. PDAs estimate damages immediately after an event and are considered, along with several other factors, in determining whether a disaster is of such severity and magnitude that effective response is beyond the capabilities of the state and the affected local governments, and that Federal assistance is necessary (FEMA, 2018).

On March 14, 2016, President Obama declared that a major disaster exists in the State of New Jersey. This declaration made Public Assistance requested by the Governor 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 winter storm and snowstorm in Atlantic, Bergen, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Somerset, Union, and Warren Counties. This declaration also authorized snow assistance for a period of 48 hours for the counties of Bergen, Burlington, Camden, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Somerset, Union, and Warren. Finally, this declaration made Hazard Mitigation Grant Program assistance requested by the Governor available for hazard mitigation measures statewide (FEMA, 2018).
Public Assistance - Dollars Approved

- Total Public Assistance Grants (PA) - Dollars Obligated = $75,435,062.20
- Emergency Work (Categories A-B) - Dollars Obligated= $68,773,902.93
- Permanent Work (Categories C-G) - Dollars Obligated= $4,201,465.27

Figure D-2 Designated Areas for the Designated Severe Winter Storm, FEMA-DR-4264

Source: FEMA, 2018

FEMA DR-4368 New Jersey Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm – March 6, 2018 to March 7, 2018
Currently details on this disaster declaration are limited. If and when public assistance obligated dollar information is available for this disaster, it will be displayed at this link: https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4368.
Figure D-3 Designated Areas for the Designated Severe Winter Storm, FEMA-DR-4368

Source: FEMA, 2018