



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

April 28, 2024

Mr. Jeffrey D. Lusk
Director
Office of Disaster Recovery and Resilience
Field Operations Center – West
U.S. Small Business Administration
6501 Sylvan Road
Citrus Heights, California 95610

Dear Mr. Lusk:

Under provisions of 13 C.F.R. Part 123.3, I respectfully request that the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) implement a Small Business Administrative declaration to provide assistance in the form of SBA Disaster Loans for Jasper County as a result of the April 8, 2024 – ongoing Severe Weather event.

Due to widespread flooding, in addition to hail, wind, and severe storm impacts across East Texas, many homes and businesses were affected, creating an economic emergency for residents. I request that the SBA declare Jasper County a disaster area to make long-term, low-interest rate physical damage loans for homes and businesses and economic injury disaster loans available to citizens and businesses affected by the disaster.

On April 26th, a damage assessment was conducted by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) to determine the extent and type of disaster assistance necessary to assist with recovery efforts. The damage survey indicates that at least 30 homes and 6 business in Jasper County sustained major damages and suffered an uninsured loss of more than 40 percent.

If you have any questions about this request, please do not hesitate to contact Chief Nim Kidd, Texas Division of Emergency Management at (512) 424-2443.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

Greg Abbott
Governor

GA:tpd

**SBA SURVEY RECAP: Final Summary Report_State of Texas
State/SBA Ground (Agency Only) Survey**

Event: Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding
 ULP: TX-20007
 Incident Date: 04/08/2024

Date of PDA Request: 04/24/2024
 Date of PDA: 04/26/2024

FEMA PDA: No
 SBA Only Survey: Yes

Overall Properties Affected

LV-Assigned	COUNTY	SURVEY Start Date	SURVEY End Date	MEETS SBA Criteria	Tribal	Majors	SURVEY Status	HOMES				BUSINESS/NON-PROFITS			
								MAJ	\$\$	MIN	\$\$	MAJ	\$\$	MIN	\$\$
Cheryl H Hurstell	Jasper	04/26/2024	04/26/2024	Yes	No	21	Final	17	523,000	33	630,000	4	223,000	10	185,000
Marilyn S Dogan	Jasper	04/26/2024	04/26/2024	Yes	No	15	Final	13	342,000	39	987,000	2	57,000	0	0
	State Totals			Yes		36	Final	30	865,000	72	1,617,000	6	280,000	10	185,000

COMMENTS: