



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

May 5, 2026

Mr. Kem R. Fleming
Director
Field Operations and Disaster Recovery
Office of Disaster Recovery and Resilience
U.S. Small Business Administration
6501 Sylvan Road
Citrus Heights, California 95610-5017

Dear Mr. Fleming:

On April 24, 2026, Parker and Wise Counties suffered significant damage to individual homes as a result of severe storms and tornadoes.

Based on joint surveys conducted by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and state, county, and local officials, the damage exceeds the SBA's criteria of at least 25 homes (primary residences) and/or businesses with uninsured losses of 40 percent or more of their estimated fair replacement value, thereby qualifying for disaster assistance. The preliminary damage assessment has been provided to your Agency by the SBA Damage Verification Team.

In accordance with Title 13 CFR Part 123.3, I request SBA declare Parker and Wise Counties disaster areas and make low-interest loans available to the affected property owners and businesses. The State of Texas will not request a Presidential Disaster Declaration for Individual Assistance for this event.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. If you need additional information, please contact Chief Nim Kidd, Governor's Authorized Representative, at (512) 424-2436.

Sincerely,

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

Greg Abbott
Governor