

GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

September 11, 2025

Mr. Eric Shaw
Acting 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. Shaw,

Under provisions of 13 C.F.R. Part 123.3(a)(6), I respectfully request the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) declare an SBA Rural Agency disaster declaration to provide assistance in the form of SBA Disaster Loans for Coke, Concho, Kendall, Mason, and Sutton Counties as a result of July 2, 2025, Texas Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding Event. The incident period began July 2, 2025, and ended July 18, 2025.

I certify there is no pending request with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for Individual Assistance for the counties requested for this event, and no such request will be made. Additionally, these counties have received a major disaster declaration from the President under the Stafford Act 401, but individual assistance (IA) was **NOT** authorized, and the counties contain a non-urban area, as defined by the Census Bureau.

A damage assessment was conducted by local officials, the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), and SBA to validate that ONE home, small business concern, private nonprofit organization, or small agricultural cooperative in a non-urban area within the county has sustained major damage and suffered an uninsured loss of more than 40 percent.

Please note that Kendall County is being included at this time, as TDEM held the request to ensure the full package could be submitted together. We acknowledge the delay and thank you for your consideration.

If you have any questions about this request, please call the Governor's Authorized Representative, Chief Nim Kidd at (512) 424-2443.

Sincerely,

Greg Abbott Governor

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