



NJ Office of Emergency Management

Colonel Rick Fuentes
Superintendent, New Jersey State Police
State Director of Emergency Management

Major Dennis McNulty
Commanding Officer, Emergency Management

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

FEMA: Phyllis Deroian (732) 427-1468
NJOEM: Mary Goepfert (609) 963-6818 | (609) 439-8082 (cell)

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

February 16, 2011

Fema And State Schedule Briefings On Disaster Assistance

West Trenton, NJ – New Jersey county and municipal emergency management officials are invited to briefings which will explain the process of applying for federal disaster assistance for snow removal, emergency protective measures, and hazard mitigation in the wake of the winter storm which impacted the state on December 26-27, 2010. Though the meetings are not open to the public, citizens will benefit from the assistance received by their individual counties to offset the financial impact of the storm.

Federal and state disaster recovery officials announced today that the briefings will take place as follows:

State Agencies Applicants' Briefing - Tuesday, February 22, 2011

10:00 AM - NJ Regional Operations Intelligence Center, 1 River Road, West Trenton NJ 08628-0068

Central Region Applicants' Briefing - Wednesday February 23, 2011

10:00 AM - Somerset County, Union County, Middlesex County
Middlesex County Fire Academy - 1001 Fire Academy Drive, Sayreville, NJ 08872

2:00 PM - Mercer County, Monmouth County, Ocean County
Monmouth County Fire Academy - 1027 Route #33 East, Freehold, NJ 07728

North Region Applicants' Briefings - Thursday February 24, 2011

10:00 AM - Bergen County, Morris County, Passaic County
Bergen County Law & Public Safety Institute, 281 Campgaw Road, Mahwah, NJ 07430

2:00 PM - Essex County, Hudson County
Essex County Office of Emergency Management, 560 Northfield Avenue, West Orange, NJ 07052

South Region Applicants' Briefings – Friday, February 25, 2011

10:00 AM - Burlington County and Atlantic County
Burlington County Fire Academy, 53 Academy Way, Westampton NJ 08060-6000

2:00 PM - Cape May County and Cumberland County

Cape May OEM 30 W. Mechanic Street Cape May Court House NJ 08210

"These briefings are designed to help local officials understand eligibility requirements and the reimbursement process," said Lt. Paul Miller, State Coordinating Officer New Jersey Office of Emergency Management. "We have a responsibility to ensure that federal, state, and local dollars are used appropriately."

President Barack Obama has designated 15 New Jersey counties eligible for disaster assistance: Atlantic, Bergen, Burlington, Cape May, Cumberland, Essex, Hudson, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset, and Union Counties.

With the Public Assistance grant declaration, affected county and municipal governments are eligible to apply for federal assistance to fund 75 percent of the approved costs for snow removal, emergency protective measures, and repairing, restoring or replacing damaged public facilities.

All counties in the State of New Jersey are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

###

To stay informed about disasters and emergencies in New Jersey via social media, follow the NJOEM on [Twitter @ReadyNJ](#), "like" us on www.facebook.com/READYNEWJERSEY, or get email and text message alerts via www.Nixle.com or www.njalert.gov.