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Two counties added to Presidential Disaster Declaration

DES MOINES – Governor Terry Branstad received word today that two counties have been added to the Presidential Disaster Declaration granted for 22 Iowa counties impacted by severe weather in June and July.

Crawford and Shelby counties have been added to the disaster declaration granted Aug. 5, 2014, for Audubon, Black Hawk, Butler, Cedar, Des Moines, Grundy, Hamilton, Hardin, Ida, Iowa, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Jones, Keokuk, Lee, Linn, Mahaska, Muscatine, Poweshiek, Tama, and Washington counties.

The declaration by the President provides federal funding to the declared counties under the Public Assistance Program. Public Assistance funds may be used for emergency work and the repair or replacement of disaster-damaged facilities and may include debris removal, emergency protective measures, repair of damaged public property, loans needed by communities for essential government functions and grants for public schools.

The Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management leads, coordinates and supports homeland security and emergency management functions in order to establish sustainable communities and ensure economic opportunities for Iowa and its citizens.

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