

2025 Update

prepared for

Renville County Board of Commissioners

Program overview

Organized under Minnesota State Statute 12.a, as part of the State Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency. Assigned to Emergency Management Region 5.

Responsible for coordinating with the 10 disciplines consisting of Government Administration, Public Health, Healthcare, Public Works, Law Enforcement, Fire Services, Emergency Medical Services, Bomb Squads, Hazardous Materials Teams, and Emergency Management Agencies to plan for, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all potential hazards that impact our county.

Disaster recovery

Damage indicators and thresholds to qualify for public assistance

Robert T. Stafford Act for federal assistance (FEMA)

- Each applicant = \$4000 of uninsured damage to public infrastructure in one or more categories of common eligible work
 - o Debris removal
 - o Emergency protective measures
 - o Roads & bridges
 - o Water control facilities
 - o Buildings & equipment
 - o Utilities
 - o Parks & recreation
- Renville County minimum = \$69,493
- Statewide minimum = \$10.8 million
- 75% federal share
- 25% state share
- 0% local share

Minnesota Statute 12b. Disaster Assistance Contingency Account (DACA)

- ½ federal indicator = \$34,746
- Follows federal guidelines
- 75% state share
- 25% local share

Process

- Emergency Management submits spot report within 24 hours of event.
- Board Chair signs State of Emergency valid for 72 hours. (Board ratifies)
- Emergency Management submits Impact and Damage Assessment within 48 hours.
- If thresholds are met, Emergency Management requests Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) to be completed by Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) recovery branch.
- PDA to verify damage must be completed within 30 days of event.
- Coordinate briefing for eligible applicants within 60 days of event.
- Submit request for assistance to appropriate governing body.

Disaster recovery – Open declarations

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>JURISDICTION</u>
August 2016	Rain/flash flood	State	\$412K	Ditch, Co Hwy, Townships, Cities, MVRRA
August 2017	Rain/flash flood	State	\$415K	Ditch, Co Hwy, Townships, Cities, MVRRA
October 2017	Rain/flash flood	State	\$147K	Ditch, MVRRA
July 2018	Rain/flash flood	Federal	\$2.4M	Ditch, Co Hwy, Townships, Cities, MVRRA
September 2018	Rain/flash flood	State	\$60K	Ditch
March 2019	Spring melt/flood	Federal	\$3.1M	Ditch, Co Hwy, Townships, Cities, MVRRA, Power Co-op
July 2019	Rain/flash flood	State	\$414K	Ditch, Co Hwy, Townships, Cities, MVRRA
December 2019	Ice storm	State	\$90K	Power Co-op
January 2020	COVID-19	Federal	\$35K	County, Cities, Schools, LTC
June 2020	Rain/flash flood	State	\$231K	Ditch, Townships
July 2020	Rain/flash flood	State	\$441K	Ditch, Co Hwy, Townships
May 2022	Rain/flash flood	Federal	\$730K	Ditch, Co Hwy, Parks, LTC
May 2022	Wind storm	Federal	\$250K	Power Co-op, School
July 2022	Wind storm	State	\$100K	Power Co-op, City
April 2023	Spring melt/flood	Federal	\$380K	Ditch, Co Hwy, Townships
June 2024	Rain/flash flood	Federal	\$857K	Ditch, Parks, Townships

6 Federal Disasters ~ \$7.7M

9 State Disasters ~ \$2.3M

Total eligible damages ~ \$10M

Past year overview

Hazards and impacts

- 1 federally declared disaster

Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) program

- Ingestion Pathway Zone (IPZ) training and plan validation

Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) validation

Community outreach

- Semi-annual newsletter
- Continued work with cities and townships to enhance disaster recovery process
- 15 Local and regional trainings and drills
- County, City, School Convening
- Provide severe weather training for elementary schools

Region 5 Southwest Emergency Management Association (SWEMA)

- Fiscal agent
- Secretary/Treasurer
- Steering Committee member

2025 focus

Monitor foreign animal disease (FAD)

School training programs

- Safety & reunification planning
- Weather

Support local and regional training

- Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) rule organizations
- National Incident Management System (NIMS) compliance
- Incident Command System (ICS) best practices for initial response

Begin 5-year hazard mitigation plan update

Update the County Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) to include cyber-security

Changes and impacts

Deputy Director moved to intermittent status (6 hours per week)

- Safety and PHEP tasks assigned to other departments

Federal funding uncertainty

- 20% reduction in Emergency Management Performance Grant
- Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grants canceled

FEMA eligibility for public assistance