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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessment results

PEARL – Based upon damages documented by Joint Preliminary Damage Assessment teams in Greene, Hinds and Kemper counties Gov. Haley Barbour requested a Federal Disaster Declaration from President Obama.

The final results of the surveys are as follows:

Greene- Twenty-seven homes destroyed, 18 homes with major damage and 44 homes with minor damage.

Hinds- Thirty homes destroyed, 104 homes with major damage and 119 homes with minor damage.

Kemper- Thirty homes destroyed, 18 homes with major damage and 18 homes with minor damage.

“The damage results are not the only factors when it comes to deciding to grant the request for a federal disaster declaration,” said Mississippi Emergency Management Agency Director Mike Womack. “FEMA and the president are also looking at whether or not residents impacted by the storms had insurance or enough insurance to cover the damages.”

MEMA continues to work with local governments in these counties to determine the costs of debris removal, damage to public infrastructure and overtime for personnel who responded to the storms.

There is no timeline on how long it may take to hear if the disaster declaration is granted.

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