

Craighead County, AR

Risk-assessment baseline packet

County FIPS: 05031 Release: 2026-10 Data as of: 2026-09-30 Storm Events data through: 2026-06-30

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Summary

Plan status as of 2026-09-30: Approved, expires 2028-03-23. Plan: Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604), approved 2023-03-24.

Since the plan was approved on 2023-03-24: 3 new hazard declarations (2 incidents) and 131 NOAA Storm Events records; details under "What changed since your last plan".

Highest expected annual loss (FEMA National Risk Index, modeled total; see B1-a): Earthquake (\$35,754,222 a year), Tornado (\$17,608,336) and Inland Flooding (\$15,162,894).

The tables that follow are organized by the items of FEMA's Local Mitigation Plan Review Tool, Element B (B1-a to B2-c); each heading says which item its tables support.

TERMS USED

EAL: expected annual loss: FEMA's modeled average yearly loss from a hazard.

NRI: FEMA's National Risk Index (version 1.20, December 2025).

NFIP: National Flood Insurance Program.

RL, SRL: repetitive loss and severe repetitive loss: flood-insured properties with repeated claims (definitions in B2-c).

FMA, HMGP: Flood Mitigation Assistance and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, FEMA mitigation grants.

PA: FEMA Public Assistance: disaster aid to governments and some nonprofits.

Zone-level: NOAA logged the event for a National Weather Service forecast zone, which may include parts of neighboring counties.

County-coded: NOAA logged the event to this county.

FIPS: the federal code for a place; 05031 is this area.

D0 to D4: U.S. Drought Monitor categories, from abnormally dry (D0) to exceptional drought (D4).

F/EF, EFU: Fujita and Enhanced Fujita tornado ratings; EFU is an unrated tornado.

kt, CONUS: knots (1 kt is about 1.15 mph); the contiguous United States.

CFR: Code of Federal Regulations.

A4-a, E1-a: other items of FEMA's Local Mitigation Plan Review Tool (sources, and changes since the last plan).

Dollars: nominal (as reported, labeled with the year), not adjusted for inflation.

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Plan clock

Status:	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Plan:	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)
Approved:	2023-03-24	Days to expiry:	540

What changed since your last plan (approved 2023-03-24)

New federal declarations:	3 new hazard declarations (2 incidents): EM-3627-AR (Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding), DR-4873-AR (Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding), EM-3636-AR (Severe Winter Storm)	Storm Events records since approval:	131 records (data through 2026-06-30)
Repetitive loss now:	FMA RL 4, SRL 8 (44 CFR 77.2); any definition: 47	Repeat-flood change:	this release sets the baseline count.

Sources: 1, 2, 4, 6 (numbered list at the end)

Plan status for every jurisdiction listed in this county: 25 rows, in the section "Plan clock: Plan status for every jurisdiction listed in this county" on the following pages.

State plan status and tribal plans in this state: see the state page.

Plan clock

Plan status for every jurisdiction listed in this county

Source: 1

Jurisdiction	Type	Status	Plan	Approved	Expires	Days to expiry negative = days since expiry	Notes
Craighead County	County	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-03-28
Bay city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-06-13
Black Oak town	Town	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2024-02-23
Bono city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2024-02-23
Brookland city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-03-23
Caraway city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-03-23
Cash town	Town	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2024-02-23
Egypt town	Town	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-06-13
Jonesboro city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-03-23
Lake City city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-07-20
Monette city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-07-20
Bay School District	School/School District	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-06-13
Brookland School District	School/School District	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2024-02-23
Buffalo Island Central School District	School/School District	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-06-13
Greene County Technical School District	School/School District	Approved, expires 2031-03-15	Greene County (FEMA plan 109389)	2026-03-16	2031-03-15	1,627	
Jonesboro Public Schools	School/School District	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-07-20
Nettleton School District	School/School District	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-07-20
Riverside School District	School/School District	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-07-20
Valley View School District	School/School District	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-07-20

Jurisdiction	Type	Status	Plan	Approved	Expires	Days to expiry <i>negative = days since expiry</i>	Notes
Westside Consolidated School District	School/School District	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2023-07-20
Arkansas State University	College/University	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2025-08-07
Blessed Sacrament Schools	School/School District	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2025-08-07
Craighead Electric Cooperative	Electric/Power Authority	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2025-08-07
Jonesboro City Water and Light	Electric/Power Authority	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2025-08-07
Ridgefield Christian	School/School District	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	Craighead County (FEMA plan 107604)	2023-03-24	2028-03-23	540	this jurisdiction approved 2025-08-07

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-a: hazard identification

Hazards NRI does not cover (local data needed)

- dam failure (incl. upstream dams)
- levee failure
- flash flood as its own subtype
- ice jams
- debris flows
- erosion (riverine and coastal)
- land subsidence and sinkholes
- expansive soils

The 18 National Risk Index hazards, ranked by expected annual loss (EAL)

Sources: 5, 6

Rank by EAL	Hazard	NRI risk rating	EAL rating	EAL buildings <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL agriculture <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Cost of expected deaths and injuries <i>FEMA's dollar value per year, not property damage</i>	EAL total (see note) <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Storm Events records, 1996 to 2026-06-30 <i>count</i>	Storm Events coverage note
1	Earthquake	Relatively Moderate	Relatively High	\$19,061,732	n/a	\$16,692,490	\$35,754,222		Storm Events does not record earthquakes.
2	Tornado	Relatively High	Relatively High	\$3,432,016	\$7,589	\$14,168,733	\$17,608,336	38	
3	Inland Flooding	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Low	\$12,986,667	\$1,302	\$2,174,925	\$15,162,894	93	
4	Cold Wave	Relatively High	Relatively High	\$35,113	\$206,780	\$7,678,979	\$7,920,871	13	Includes 2 Frost/Freeze records (outside NRI's Cold Wave definition; counted in this table and in B1-d, not in the B1-e descriptor).

Rank by EAL	Hazard	NRI risk rating	EAL rating	EAL buildings <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL agriculture <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Cost of expected deaths and injuries <i>FEMA's dollar value per year, not property damage</i>	EAL total (see note) <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Storm Events records, 1996 to 2026-06-30 <i>count</i>	Storm Events coverage note
5	Heat Wave	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$176	\$1,373	\$5,166,277	\$5,167,826	120	
6	Ice Storm	Very High	Very High	\$3,275,560	n/a	\$538,214	\$3,813,774	4	
7	Drought	Relatively High	Relatively Moderate	n/a	\$1,614,678	n/a	\$1,614,678	28	
8	Strong Wind	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$258,731	\$51,647	\$601,889	\$912,267	223	Includes 8 High Wind and 7 Strong Wind records (NOAA non-thunderstorm wind types, outside NRI's Strong Wind definition).
9	Lightning	Relatively High	Relatively Moderate	\$39,439	n/a	\$714,683	\$754,122	6	
10	Hail	Relatively Low	Relatively Low	\$394,370	\$8,100	\$8,069	\$410,540	156	
11	Winter Weather	Relatively High	Relatively High	\$344,390	\$2,113	\$9,819	\$356,322	62	
12	Hurricane	Very Low	Very Low	\$89,099	\$27,495	\$2,352	\$118,946	1	
13	Wildfire	Very Low	Very Low	\$20,331	\$42	\$6,429	\$26,802	0	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).
14	Landslide	Relatively Low	Very Low	\$4,905	n/a	\$68	\$4,973	0	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).

Total = buildings + agriculture + population equivalence; FEMA values each expected death (or 10 injuries) at \$13.7 million (2024 dollars).

NRI risk rating combines expected annual loss with social vulnerability and community resilience; EAL rating rates expected annual loss alone. Both compare this county with all U.S. counties.

Local data needed: state and local wildfire and landslide records (Storm Events records these hazards only in part).

Not applicable to this county per NRI, with no federal declaration and no Storm Events record since 1996: avalanche, coastal flooding, tsunami and volcanic activity. That is the evidence for leaving them out of the plan.

The state hazard mitigation plan also lists hazards for this county; FEMA asks the plan to explain any hazard it leaves out.

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-b: hazard location

Affects the whole county (national data give no location within it): Cold Wave, Drought, Hail, Heat Wave, Ice Storm, Lightning, Strong Wind and Winter Weather.

Inland Flooding: The FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) is the required location source for flooding. See the FEMA Flood Map Service Center (<https://msc.fema.gov>) for this county.

Hazards that vary within the county: highest-rated census tracts

Source: 5

Hazard	Highest-rated census tracts <i>NRI risk rating, score 0 to 100</i>
Earthquake	tract 10 (Very High, 99.5); tract 3 (Very High, 99.2); tract 1.01 (Very High, 98.7)
Hurricane	tract 12 (Relatively Low, 57.7); tract 5.02 (Relatively Low, 53.7); tract 4.01 (Relatively Low, 51.9)
Landslide	tract 12 (Relatively Low, 94.4); tract 11.01 (Relatively Low, 92.2); tract 8.06 (Relatively Low, 88.7)
Tornado	tract 3 (Very High, 99.8); tract 4.01 (Very High, 99.8); tract 6.02 (Very High, 99.7)
Wildfire	tract 11.01 (Relatively Low, 81.1); tract 5.01 (Relatively Low, 75.8); tract 7.02 (Relatively Low, 75.4)

Up to 3 census tracts per hazard, highest National Risk Index rating first, then highest score; a tract number is the Census tract number (for example 10 is Census Tract 10). FEMA's Resilience Analysis and Planning Tool maps the National Risk Index for every tract: <https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/practitioners/resilience-analysis-and-planning-tool>

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-c: hazard extent

Extent: scale, observed range and worst recorded event per hazard

Sources: 6, 7

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count and years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to jurisdictions	Note
Cold/Wind Chill, Extreme Cold/Wind Chill	wind chill	11 records, 2008 to 2026 (11 zone-level)	1 day to 4 days (median 2.5 days); 6 with a recorded value	4 consecutive days, 2026-01-24 to 2026-01-27, zone-level		Countywide (zone-level records).	
Frost/Freeze (outside NRI's Cold Wave definition)	crop damage	2 records, 2007 (2 zone-level)		No crop damage reported in 2 records.		Countywide (zone-level records).	
Drought	U.S. Drought Monitor scale (D0 to D4)	28 records, 2007 to 2026 (28 zone-level)	15 days to 162 days (median 85 days); 8 with a recorded value	162 days (about 5.3 months), 2012-06-12 to 2012-11-20, a run of 6 consecutive Storm Events drought records, zone-level		Countywide (zone-level records).	Storm Events enters a drought at D2 or worse east of the Rockies and D3 or worse from the Rockies west (NWS Instruction 10-1605); NRI drought counts D3 and D4 only.
Earthquake	Modified Mercalli (local data)	0					Storm Events does not record earthquakes; the USGS earthquake catalog is the source.

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count and years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to jurisdictions	Note
Hail	hail size (inches)	195 records, 1962 to 2026	0.75 in to 4 in (median 1 in); 193 with a recorded value	4 in hail, 2022-04-15	Hail, 2002-04-30, \$100,000 property; crops not reported (2002 dollars)	Event records naming jurisdictions in the plan: Jonesboro city (50 records), Bay city (15 records), Bono city (12 records), Brookland city (12 records), Lake City city (10 records), Monette city (9 records), Cash town (8 records), Caraway city (7 records), Egypt town (5 records).	
Excessive Heat, Heat	heat index (in event narratives)	120 records, 2007 to 2026 (120 zone- level)	1 day to 21 days (median 2 days); 70 with a recorded value	August 2007 (1 monthly summary record), zone- level		Countywide (zone-level records).	
Hurricane, Tropical Storm, Tropical Depression	Saffir-Simpson	1 record, 2008 (1 zone-level)		Strongest recorded: Tropical Storm record, 2008-09-14, \$285,000 property; \$0 crops (2008 dollars), 1 direct injury (reported for the zone); NWS zone ARZ026		Countywide (zone-level records).	Storm Events files every zone of a storm's episode under the storm's type; flooding from the storm is filed as Flood or Flash Flood records.
Ice Storm	Sperry-Piltz ice scale (local data)	4 records, 1998 to 2018 (4 zone-level)		Ice Storm, 2002-12-03, \$2,600,000 property; crops not reported (2002 dollars); NWS zone ARZ026		Countywide (zone-level records).	
Flash Flood, Flood, Lakeshore Flood	damage and flood days (flood depth: FIRM)	93 records, 1997 to 2026 (2 zone-level)		Flash Flood, 2016-05-24, \$2,100,000 property; \$0 crops (2016 dollars), 1 direct injury		Event records naming jurisdictions in the plan: Jonesboro city (32 records), Brookland city (8 records), Bono city (4 records), Cash town (3 records), Egypt town (3 records), Lake City city (3 records), Bay city (2 records), Caraway city (1 record). Zone-level records (2) apply countywide.	Flood depth: see the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map. Storm Events damage is often \$0 or blank for floods, major ones included; FEMA Public Assistance by declaration (B1-d) shows which floods cost the most.
Debris Flow	none (count and damage only)	0					
Lightning	annualized frequency (the measure FEMA's Local Mitigation Planning Handbook names)	6 records, 2000 to 2022		Lightning, 2001-07-05, \$50,000 property; crops not reported (2001 dollars)		Event records naming jurisdictions in the plan: Jonesboro city (4 records), Bono city (1 record).	Storm Events lists lightning with damage or casualties.
High Wind and Strong Wind (outside NRI's Strong Wind definition)	wind speed (kt and mph)	15 records, 1997 to 2025 (15 zone-level)	32 kt (37 mph) to 55 kt (63 mph) (median 45 kt (52 mph)); 13 with a recorded value	55 kt (63 mph) measured gust, High Wind, 2025-03-19; NWS zone ARZ026	Strong Wind, 2017-01-10, \$50,000 property; \$0 crops (zone total, 2017 dollars)	Countywide (zone-level records).	

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count and years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to jurisdictions	Note
Thunderstorm Wind	wind speed (kt and mph)	301 records, 1955 to 2026	40 kt (46 mph) to 96 kt (110 mph) (median 50 kt (58 mph)); 200 with a recorded value	96 kt (110 mph) estimated gust, Thunderstorm Wind, 2025-04-02	Thunderstorm Wind, 2019-08-06, \$250,000 property; \$0 crops (2019 dollars)	Event records naming jurisdictions in the plan: Jonesboro city (66 records), Bay city (14 records), Brookland city (12 records), Caraway city (12 records), Monette city (12 records), Bono city (10 records), Cash town (6 records), Lake City city (5 records), Egypt town (4 records), Black Oak town (2 records).	
Tornado	Enhanced Fujita (Fujita before Feb 2007)	54 records, 1955 to 2025	F/EF0 to F/EF4 (median F/EF1); 54 with a recorded value	F4 tornado, 1968-05-15, 12.6 mi path length (whole path, pre-1996), 167 yd wide, \$25,000 property; crops not recorded (1968 dollars), 34 direct deaths, 350 direct injuries	Tornado, 2020-03-28, \$300,000,000 property; \$0 crops (2020 dollars)	Event records naming jurisdictions in the plan: Jonesboro city (4 records), Egypt town (3 records), Bay city (2 records), Black Oak town (2 records), Caraway city (2 records), Monette city (2 records), Bono city (1 record), Cash town (1 record), Lake City city (1 record).	Before 1996 a tornado is listed once, under the county where it began, with its whole path's rating and length; from 1996 on, each county lists its own segment. Length is not used to rank tornadoes (see Methods).
Wildfire	acres burned (local data)	0					
Winter Storm, Heavy Snow, Blizzard, Lake-Effect Snow, Winter Weather, Sleet	none in data (snowfall: local data)	62 records, 2000 to 2026 (62 zone-level)		Winter Storm, 2000-12-13, \$100,000 property; crops not reported (2000 dollars); NWS zone ARZ026		Countywide (zone-level records).	

In event narratives only (local data needed): wind chill, temperature, heat index, ice thickness, acres burned and snow depth; any physical measure of debris flow and lightning.

Storm Events records are more complete after 1996; before 1996 only Tornado (from 1950), Hail and Thunderstorm Wind (from 1955) exist. Zone-level records from zones that no NWS zone-county file places in this county (mostly before 2020) are not counted here (the Methods page explains the zone matching).

Dollars are nominal (as reported), labeled with the year; not adjusted for inflation.

A monthly summary record covers most or all of a month; it does not count days at wave conditions.

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-d: previous occurrences

Federal declarations for this county: 28 declarations covering 23 separate hazard incidents counted in this packet (declarations for the same incident count once; non-natural and evacuation-only declarations are not counted).

Federal disaster declarations for this county

Sources: 1, 2, 3

Declared	Incident began	FEMA number	Type	Title	Mapped hazard	County Public Assistance <i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	Flags	Notes
2026-01-24	2026-01-23	EM-3636-AR	Emergency	Severe Winter Storm	Winter Weather	no Public Assistance recorded	new since last plan; within last 5 years	
2025-05-21	2025-04-02	DR-4873-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding	Inland Flooding (primary); also designated: Tornado	\$2,718,323	new since last plan; within last 5 years	
2025-04-05	2025-04-02	EM-3627-AR	Emergency	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding	Inland Flooding; Tornado	no Public Assistance recorded	new since last plan; within last 5 years	same incident as DR-4873
2021-12-23	2021-12-10	DR-4633-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms and Tornadoes	Tornado	PA not declared for this county	within last 5 years	
2020-08-27	2020-08-26	EM-3541-AR	Emergency	Hurricane Laura	Hurricane	no Public Assistance recorded		
2020-05-08	2020-03-28	DR-4544-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Straight-Line Winds	Tornado (primary); also designated: Strong Wind	\$2,787,849.07		
2020-04-03	2020-01-20	DR-4518-AR	Major disaster	COVID-19 Pandemic	Non-natural, not counted	\$6,023,643.64		
2020-03-13	2020-01-20	EM-3461-AR	Emergency	COVID-19	Non-natural, not counted	no Public Assistance recorded		same incident as DR-4518
2017-06-15	2017-04-26	DR-4318-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-Line Winds, and Flooding	Inland Flooding; Strong Wind; Tornado	\$329,412.83		
2011-05-02	2011-04-14	DR-1975-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Associated Flooding	Inland Flooding; Tornado	\$446,590.56		
2010-02-04	2009-12-23	DR-1872-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms and Flooding	Inland Flooding	\$176,713.80		
2009-02-06	2009-01-26	DR-1819-AR	Major disaster	Severe Winter Storm	Winter Weather	\$37,055,265.72		
2009-01-28	2009-01-26	EM-3301-AR	Emergency	Severe Winter Storm	Ice Storm	no Public Assistance recorded		same incident as DR-1819
2008-10-22	2008-09-13	DR-1804-AR	Major disaster	Tropical Storm Ike	Hurricane	\$553,015.65		
2008-03-26	2008-03-18	DR-1751-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding	Inland Flooding; Tornado	\$463,991.35		
2005-09-02	2005-08-29	EM-3215-AR	Emergency	Hurricane Katrina Evacuation	Hurricane: evacuation support, not a local hazard event; not counted	\$53,057.44		
2003-06-06	2003-05-02	DR-1472-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding	Inland Flooding; Tornado	\$229,547.21		

Declared	Incident began	FEMA number	Type	Title	Mapped hazard	County Public Assistance	Flags	Notes
						<i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>		
2003-01-06	2002-12-03	DR-1450-AR	Major disaster	Severe Ice Storm	Ice Storm	\$3,799,901.67		
2002-01-24	2001-12-15	DR-1400-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms and Flooding	Inland Flooding	\$146,263.50		
2001-03-13	2001-02-14	DR-1363-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms and Flooding	Inland Flooding	\$299,676.17		
1997-04-14	1997-04-04	DR-1176-AR	Major disaster	Flooding, Severe Storms	Inland Flooding	PA not declared for this county		
1997-03-02	1997-03-01	DR-1162-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms and Tornadoes	Tornado	PA not declared for this county		
1988-11-23	1988-11-15	DR-817-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms & Tornadoes	Tornado	PA not declared for this county		
1982-12-13	1982-12-13	DR-673-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms, Tornadoes & Flooding	Inland Flooding; Tornado	PA not declared for this county		
1973-05-29	1973-05-29	DR-389-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms & Flooding	Inland Flooding	no Public Assistance recorded		
1973-04-27	1973-04-27	DR-375-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms & Flooding	Inland Flooding	no Public Assistance recorded		
1969-02-15	1969-02-15	DR-254-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms & Flooding	Inland Flooding	no Public Assistance recorded		
1968-05-29	1968-05-29	DR-239-AR	Major disaster	Tornadoes, Severe Storms & Flooding	Tornado (primary); also designated: Inland Flooding	no Public Assistance recorded		

School districts and special districts in this county: \$988,162.19 (included in the county total above). Public Assistance matched by applicant name to the school districts and special districts FEMA lists as plan participants in this county. They have no row of their own in the jurisdiction table, so their total is listed here. These dollars are already included in the county PA column of the declarations table (the FEMA record places each applicant in this county), so this line is not added to it.

County Public Assistance: applicants the FEMA record places in this county, including any state agencies FEMA files there; statewide rows are listed on the state page; federal share obligated, nominal dollars.

Statewide declarations

Source: 2

Declared	Incident began	FEMA number	Type	Title	Mapped hazard
1964-03-20	1964-03-20	DR-166-AR	Major disaster	Severe Storms & Flooding	Inland Flooding
1963-08-02	1963-08-02	DR-157-AR	Major disaster	Heavy Rains & Flooding	Inland Flooding
1961-05-16	1961-05-16	DR-112-AR	Major disaster	Floods & Tornadoes	Inland Flooding (primary); also designated: Tornado
1960-05-28	1960-05-28	DR-102-AR	Major disaster	Tornadoes & Floods	Tornado (primary); also designated: Inland Flooding
1958-05-15	1958-05-15	DR-83-AR	Major disaster	Heavy Rainstorms & Floods	Inland Flooding
1957-05-29	1957-05-29	DR-77-AR	Major disaster	Tornadoes, Rain, Hail & Floods	Tornado (primary); also designated: Hail, Inland Flooding

FEMA recorded these with designated area Statewide and no county, so they are listed on every county page in the state and not counted with county rows. Local data needed: whether each one affected this county.

Public Assistance filed under this county for declarations that do not list it: 5 rows, \$1,199,725.48

Sources: 2, 3

FEMA number	Declared	Title	Applicant	PA obligated <i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>
DR-4748-AR	2023-11-14	Severe Storms, Straight-Line Winds, and Tornadoes	Craighead Electric Cooperative Corporation	\$444,494.95
DR-1758-AR	2008-05-20	Severe Storms, Flooding, and Tornadoes	Craighead Electric Cooperative Corporation	\$53,054.41
DR-1636-AR	2006-04-12	Severe Storms and Tornadoes	Craighead Electric Cooperative Corporation	\$424,434.42
DR-1354-AR	2000-12-29	Severe Winter Ice Storm	Craighead Electric Cooperative Corporation	\$201,397.39
DR-1266-AR	1999-01-23	Ar Severe Weather 1-21-99	Craighead Electric Cooperative Corporation	\$76,344.31

FEMA's Public Assistance summaries file these applicants under this county, but FEMA's declaration rows for these disasters do not designate it (an electric cooperative or district serving several counties, for example). Not in any declaration row above and not counted.

Previous occurrences by hazard, with explicit no-event rows

Sources: 2, 6, 7

Hazard	Storm Events records, all years on file <i>(years in the Period column)</i>	Since plan approval <i>records</i>	In the 12 months before plan approval <i>records</i>	Last 5 years <i>records</i>	Declared incidents, all years <i>separate disasters</i>	Declared since approval <i>separate disasters</i>	Period	Statement
Cold Wave	13	7	2	9	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	Includes 2 Frost/Freeze records.
Drought	28	7	3	10	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	
Earthquake	0	0	0	0	0	0		Storm Events does not record earthquakes; the USGS earthquake catalog is the source.
Hail	195	16	12	29	0	0	1955 to 2026-06-30	
Heat Wave	120	55	13	68	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	
Hurricane	1	0	0	0	2	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	
Ice Storm	4	0	0	0	2	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	
Inland Flooding	93	2	2	4	14	1	1996 to 2026-06-30	
Landslide	0	0	0	0	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Lightning	6	0	1	1	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	
Strong Wind	316	35	9	44	2	0	1955 to 2026-06-30	Includes 8 High Wind and 7 Strong Wind records.
Tornado	54	5	1	12	11	1	1950 to 2026-06-30	

Hazard	Storm Events records, all years on file <i>(years in the Period column)</i>	Since plan approval <i>records</i>	In the 12 months before plan approval <i>records</i>	Last 5 years <i>records</i>	Declared incidents, all years <i>separate disasters</i>	Declared since approval <i>separate disasters</i>	Period	Statement
Wildfire	0	0	0	0	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Winter Weather	62	4	3	11	2	1	1996 to 2026-06-30	

Notable Storm Events records

Sources: 1, 6, 7

Date	Event type	Magnitude or extent	Damage <i>nominal dollars</i>	Deaths, injuries <i>direct only</i>	Location	Flags	Why listed
2026-01-24	Extreme Cold/ Wind Chill		\$0 property; \$0 crops (zone total, 2026 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone ARZ026 (CRAIGHEAD), zone-level	new since last plan; within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: Cold/Wind Chill, Extreme Cold/Wind Chill
2025-04-02	Thunderstorm Wind	96 kt (110 mph) estimated gust	\$50,000 property; \$0 crops (2025 dollars)	0, 0	RICHER to DRYDEN	new since last plan; within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: Thunderstorm Wind
2025-03-19	High Wind	55 kt (63 mph) measured gust	\$0 property; \$0 crops (zone total, 2025 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone ARZ026 (CRAIGHEAD), zone-level	new since last plan; within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: High Wind and Strong Wind
2022-04-15	Hail	4 in	\$10,000 property; \$0 crops (2022 dollars)	0, 0	LAKE CITY	in the 12 months before plan approval; within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: Hail
2016-05-24	Flash Flood		\$2,100,000 property; \$0 crops (2016 dollars)	0, 1	OAK RIDGE to VALLEY VIEW		B1-c worst recorded: Flash Flood, Flood, Lakeshore Flood
2012-06-12	Drought		damage not reported	0, 0	NWS zone ARZ026 (CRAIGHEAD), zone-level		B1-c worst recorded: Drought
2009-05-24	Flash Flood		\$25,000 property; \$0 crops (2009 dollars)	2, 0	GREENSBORO to GOOBERTOWN		deaths or injuries recorded
2007-08-05	Heat		\$0 property; \$0 crops (zone total, 2007 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone ARZ026 (CRAIGHEAD), zone-level		B1-c worst recorded: Excessive Heat, Heat
2002-12-03	Ice Storm		\$2,600,000 property; crops not reported (zone total, 2002 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone ARZ026 (CRAIGHEAD), zone-level		B1-c worst recorded: Ice Storm
2001-07-05	Lightning		\$50,000 property; crops not reported (2001 dollars)	0, 0	JONESBORO		B1-c worst recorded: Lightning
1973-05-26	Tornado	F4, 13.8 mi path length (whole path, pre-1996), 300 yd wide	\$25,000 property; crops not recorded (1973 dollars)	3, 257	location not recorded		deaths or injuries recorded
1968-05-15	Tornado	F4, 12.6 mi path length (whole path, pre-1996), 167 yd wide	\$25,000 property; crops not recorded (1968 dollars)	34, 350	location not recorded		deaths or injuries recorded

The full list is in the Excel file, sheet "B1-d Storm Events history" (892 rows).

Location is the place NOAA recorded, as written in its data; it need not be a jurisdiction in this plan.

Local data needed: state-declared emergencies, from your state emergency management agency (federal data do not include them).

Tribal and special-area declarations in this state are listed on the state page.

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-e: probability of future events

Probability: FEMA annualized frequency and descriptor per hazard

Sources: 5, 6

Hazard	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled) <i>unit per row</i>	Unit	In plain terms	Descriptor	Descriptor basis	NRI events or days in its record period (hail, wind and tornado are area-weighted, so can be fractional)	NRI period	Location	Note
Cold Wave	2.26	event-days per year	about 2.26 days per year	Likely	Storm Events event- days in 4 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (13.3%)	43	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)	countywide	
Drought	8.95	event-days per year	about 8.95 days per year	Likely	Storm Events event- days in 7 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (23.3%)	399	2000 to 2025 (25.25 years; D3 and D4 only)	countywide	
Earthquake	0.0109	annual probability at a location	chance a given location in the county has at least minor-damage shaking in a year: 1.09%			not shown	modeled	see B1-f	No descriptor (Storm Events does not record earthquakes).
Hail	3.36	events per year	about 3.36 per year	Highly likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	127.7 (modeled)	1986 to 2023 (38 years)	countywide	
Heat Wave	20.1	event-days per year	about 20.1 days per year	Likely	Storm Events event- days in 15 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (50%)	321	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)	countywide	
Hurricane	0.0166	events per year	about 1 in 60 years	Possible	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	6	1851 to 2024 (Atlantic)	see B1-f	NRI counts hurricane and tropical storm tracks passing within storm-force wind range; federal declarations are in B1-d.
Ice Storm	1.28	event-days per year	about 1.28 days per year	Likely	Storm Events event- days in 4 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (13.3%)	86	1946-12-31 to 2014-02-12 (67 years)	countywide	
Inland Flooding	2.46	event-days per year	about 2.46 days per year	Likely	Storm Events event- days in 25 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (83.3%)	69	1996 to 2023 (28 years)	see B1-f	
Landslide	0.517	events per year (modeled)	about 0.52 per year	Likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	modeled	see B1-f	
Lightning	57.4	days per year with a strike	about 57.4 days per year	Highly likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	1995 to 2023 (29 years; CONUS)	countywide	

Hazard	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled) <i>unit per row</i>	Unit	In plain terms	Descriptor	Descriptor basis	NRI events or days in its record period (hail, wind and tornado are area-weighted, so can be fractional)	NRI period	Location	Note
Strong Wind	1.93	events per year	about 1.93 per year	Highly likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	74	1986 to 2023 (38 years)	countywide	
Tornado	0.551	events per year	about 0.55 per year	Likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	1950 to 2023 (EF2+); 1986 to 2023 (EF0-1)	see B1-f	
Wildfire	0.000328	annual probability at a location	chance a given location in the county burns in a year: 0.0328%		Storm Events records in 0 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (0%)	not shown	modeled	see B1-f	No descriptor: no Storm Events record 1996 to 2025
Winter Weather	7.05	event-days per year	about 7.05 days per year	Likely	Storm Events event-days in 23 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (76.7%)	134	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)	countywide	

FEMA annualized frequency (modeled) is the National Risk Index v1.20 (December 2025) estimate of how often a hazard affects this county in a year; it is not recorded events divided by years, and its unit differs by hazard (events, event-days, or days with a lightning strike per year). For earthquake, wildfire, coastal flooding and tsunami the value is the chance (or number of events) at a location in the county, not across the county, so no "1 in N years" is given and the descriptor comes from Storm Events where it has a record (none for earthquake). The Methods page gives each hazard's method, from FEMA's National Risk Index Technical Documentation v1.20.

Where NRI gives event-days, the descriptor comes from the share of years with a Storm Events record; NRI's source records more events, so the two differ.

Descriptor scale used in this packet (defined per unit)

Sources: 5, 6

Unit	Descriptor	Definition
events per year	Highly likely	1 or more per year
events per year	Likely	about once in 1 to 10 years
events per year	Possible	about once in 10 to 100 years
events per year	Unlikely	less than once in 100 years
annual probability	Likely	10% to under 100% chance in a given year
annual probability	Possible	1% to under 10% chance in a given year
annual probability	Unlikely	under 1% chance in a given year
event-days (share of years)	Highly likely	event-days recorded in 90% or more of years
event-days (share of years)	Likely	event-days recorded in 10% to under 90% of years
event-days (share of years)	Possible	event-days recorded in some years but under 10% of years
lightning strike-days	Highly likely	cloud-to-ground strikes on 1 or more days per year

Intensity bands: historical frequency (Storm Events)

Source: 6

Hazard	Band	Years	Events <i>county-coded records</i>	Years in period	Events per year <i>events / years</i>
Hail	1.00-1.99 in	1996 to 2025	90	30	3
Hail	2.00 in+	1996 to 2025	7	30	0.233
Thunderstorm Wind (counted as NRI Strong Wind)	50-64 kt	1996 to 2025	158	30	5.27
Thunderstorm Wind (counted as NRI Strong Wind)	65 kt+	1996 to 2025	11	30	0.367
Thunderstorm Wind (counted as NRI Strong Wind)	unmeasured or below 50 kt	1996 to 2025	31	30	1.03
Tornado	EF0-1	1996 to 2025	30	30	1
Tornado	EF2-3	1996 to 2025	8	30	0.267
Tornado	EF4-5	1996 to 2025	0	30	0
Tornado	unrated (EFU)	1996 to 2025	0	30	0

The bands show how often events of each severity were recorded in this county, to profile how severe events have been (FEMA's probability item asks for the range of intensities).

Hail smaller than 1 inch is not counted: on 2010-01-05 the National Weather Service raised its severe-hail threshold from 3/4 inch to 1 inch, so smaller reports became less common after 2009 (NWS Service Change Notice 09-52). NRI hail frequency uses a 0.75 inch threshold.

Optional: future conditions. Not a required item in the 2025 FEMA Local Mitigation Planning Policy Guide; some states ask for it. The federal Climate Mapping for Resilience and Adaptation (CMRA) site gives county exposure to future climate conditions (<https://resilience.climate.gov/>).

Supports FEMA checklist item B1-f: hazards that vary across jurisdictions

Range of census tract risk within the county

Source: 5

Hazard	Tracts <i>rated of all</i>	NRI risk score, 0 to 100			Tracts by rating
		Min	Median	Max	
Cold Wave	22 of 22	78.5	93.9	97.6	Very High 7, Relatively High 15
Drought	21 of 22	67.7	86.3	99.1	Relatively High 3, Relatively Moderate 3, Relatively Low 7, Very Low 8, No Rating 1
Earthquake	22 of 22	82.6	93.9	99.5	Very High 8, Relatively High 8, Relatively Moderate 6
Hail	22 of 22	52.5	68.9	82.1	Relatively Moderate 11, Relatively Low 11
Heat Wave	22 of 22	80.7	94.0	96.6	Very High 1, Relatively High 20, Relatively Moderate 1
Hurricane	22 of 22	40.8	48.5	57.7	Relatively Low 3, Very Low 19
Ice Storm	22 of 22	96.1	99.0	99.8	Very High 18, Relatively High 4
Inland Flooding	22 of 22	17.8	62.2	92.8	Relatively High 4, Relatively Moderate 10, Relatively Low 8
Landslide	22 of 22	59.2	82.4	94.4	Relatively Low 12, Very Low 10
Lightning	22 of 22	60.8	86.6	95.7	Relatively High 18, Relatively Moderate 4
Strong Wind	22 of 22	56.5	78.0	86.6	Relatively High 8, Relatively Moderate 14

Hazard	Tracts <i>rated of all</i>	NRI risk score, 0 to 100			Tracts by rating
		Min	Median	Max	
Tornado	22 of 22	91.8	99.1	99.8	Very High 20, Relatively High 2
Wildfire	22 of 22	28.9	66.6	81.1	Relatively Low 9, Very Low 13
Winter Weather	22 of 22	74.3	90.8	97.5	Very High 3, Relatively High 17, Relatively Moderate 2

Drought: Agriculture is all of NRI's expected annual loss for this hazard in the county, so the tract range mostly reflects where crop and livestock value is.

Rated tracts only: No Rating (score 0.0), Not Applicable and Insufficient Data tracts are counted but not used for the minimum, median and maximum.

The score ranks a tract against all U.S. tracts (100 = highest). The rating is FEMA's category for the tract's risk value, computed differently, so the two can disagree.

Frequency data for cold wave, drought, hail, heat wave, ice storm, lightning, strong wind and winter weather are county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone), the same for every jurisdiction; the tract range mostly reflects where buildings and people are (crop and livestock value where a line above names agriculture).

Each jurisdiction (starting figures from federal data)

Sources: 1, 3, 4, 6

Jurisdiction	Type	Plan status	Repetitive loss <i>FMA RL and SRL (44 CFR 77.2); repeat-flood, any definition</i>	Public Assistance to this jurisdiction <i>FEMA records matched by applicant name; federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	Event records naming this place <i>all years; since its plan</i>	Notes
Craighead County	County	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	FMA RL 1, SRL 0; any 1	\$1,981,370.68	0 total; 0 since its plan	Includes \$77,970.98 for declarations not counted as hazard incidents (DR-4518-AR, EM-3215-AR).
Bay city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$99,667.55	33 total; 2 since its plan	
Black Oak town	Town	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$26,464.13	4 total; 0 since its plan	
Bono city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	FMA RL 0, SRL 1; any 9	\$52,623.76	28 total; 4 since its plan	
Brookland city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$132,779.97	32 total; 1 since its plan	Includes \$5,115.72 for declarations not counted as hazard incidents (DR-4518-AR).
Caraway city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 1	\$53,626.69	22 total; 2 since its plan	
Cash town	Town	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	no Public Assistance recorded	18 total; 1 since its plan	
Egypt town	Town	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$24,511.60	15 total; 0 since its plan	
Jonesboro city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	FMA RL 3, SRL 7; any 35	\$3,288,348.72	156 total; 9 since its plan	Includes \$105,004.88 for declarations not counted as hazard incidents (DR-4518-AR, EM-3215-AR).
Lake City city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 1	\$160,713.69	19 total; 0 since its plan	
Monette city	City	Approved, expires 2028-03-23	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$179,623.11	23 total; 0 since its plan	

Repetitive-loss counts are for whole NFIP communities, which can extend beyond this county (see the note in B2-c).

School districts and special districts get a plan clock row only.

County Public Assistance in B1-d also includes applicants filed under the county that are not jurisdictions in this plan (for example state agencies, special districts and nonprofits), so the jurisdiction rows add up to less.

Supports FEMA checklist items B2-a and B2-b: vulnerability and potential impacts

Local data needed

The table below gives county-level starting figures; the plan describes impacts for each jurisdiction and its own assets.

- Critical facilities and lifelines per hazard
- A problem statement per jurisdiction per hazard
- Changes in development in hazard-prone areas since the last approval, or a statement of none (E1-a)

- Future assets

County-level starter: exposure, expected annual loss and damage since the plan

Sources: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7

Hazard	Building exposure <i>modeled dollars</i>	Agriculture exposure <i>modeled dollars</i>	Population exposed <i>people</i>	EAL buildings <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL agriculture <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Cost of expected deaths and injuries <i>FEMA's dollar value per year, not property damage</i>	EAL as % of exposure <i>buildings; agriculture where noted</i>	Storm Events damage since 2023-03-24 <i>county-coded records, property plus crops, nominal dollars</i>	Zone-level damage since plan <i>property plus crops, reported for the zone</i>	Public Assistance since plan <i>nominal dollars; see note</i>	Note
Cold Wave	\$22,153,488,112	\$251,334,807	111,202	\$35,113	\$206,780	\$7,678,979	0.000158%		\$0		
Drought	n/a	\$178,805,585	n/a	n/a	\$1,614,678	n/a	0.903% (agriculture)		\$0		NRI has no building exposure for this hazard; agriculture shown
Earthquake	\$40,147,010,731	n/a	111,231	\$19,061,732	n/a	\$16,692,490	0.0475%				
Hail	\$22,153,496,684	\$251,334,807	111,202	\$394,370	\$8,100	\$8,069	0.00178%	\$0			
Heat Wave	\$22,153,488,112	\$251,334,807	111,202	\$176	\$1,373	\$5,166,277	under 0.0001%		\$0		
Hurricane	\$22,144,691,220	\$239,574,819	111,121	\$89,099	\$27,495	\$2,352	0.000402%				
Ice Storm	\$22,152,633,891	n/a	111,189	\$3,275,560	n/a	\$538,214	0.0148%				
Inland Flooding	\$22,145,877,078	\$101,147,222	12,075	\$12,986,667	\$1,302	\$2,174,925	n/a (see note)	\$15,000		\$2,718,323	NRI counts the full building value of any census block with some flood loss; this is not the value of buildings in the floodplain. Use local FIRM overlays for B2-a/B2-b.
Landslide	\$173,770,735	n/a	831	\$4,905	n/a	\$68	0.00282%				
Lightning	\$22,153,496,684	n/a	111,202	\$39,439	n/a	\$714,683	0.000178%				

Hazard	Building exposure <i>modeled dollars</i>	Agriculture exposure <i>modeled dollars</i>	Population exposed <i>people</i>	EAL buildings <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL agriculture <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Cost of expected deaths and injuries <i>FEMA's dollar value per year, not property damage</i>	EAL as % of exposure <i>buildings; agriculture where noted</i>	Storm Events damage since 2023-03-24 <i>county-coded records, property plus crops, nominal dollars</i>	Zone-level damage since plan <i>property plus crops, reported for the zone</i>	Public Assistance since plan <i>nominal dollars; see note</i>	Note
Strong Wind	\$22,153,496,684	\$251,334,807	111,202	\$258,731	\$51,647	\$601,889	0.00117%	\$331,000	\$5,000		Storm Events damage since the plan includes 1 zone-level Strong Wind record (\$5,000): a NOAA non-thunderstorm wind type, outside NRI's Strong Wind definition.
Tornado	\$22,153,496,684	\$251,334,807	111,202	\$3,432,016	\$7,589	\$14,168,733	0.0155%	\$4,835,000		\$2,718,323	
Wildfire	\$3,227,179,384	\$16,596,265	20,820	\$20,331	\$42	\$6,429	0.00063%				
Winter Weather	\$22,153,488,112	\$251,334,807	111,202	\$344,390	\$2,113	\$9,819	0.00155%		\$0	no Public Assistance recorded (1 declaration)	

Totals since 2023-03-24 (Storm Events through 2026-06-30): 55 county-coded records, 55 with a damage value recorded (including \$0), \$5,181,000; 76 zone-level records, 76 with a damage value recorded (including \$0), \$5,000 reported for the zone; Public Assistance: \$2,718,323 on 3 counted declarations, 1 of them with Public Assistance.

FEMA does not split Public Assistance by hazard. A declaration mapped to several hazards is listed under each of them with its full amount, so the per-hazard column does not add up to the total; the unit total counts each declaration once.

NRI computes earthquake exposure on its own basis, so it exceeds the county building value in B2-a.

Supports FEMA checklist item B2-a: vulnerability (county context)

County context

Source: 5

Measure	Value
Population	111,202
Building value (total, not at risk)	\$22,153,496,684
Agriculture value (total, not at risk)	\$251,334,807
NRI risk rating (all hazards)	Relatively Moderate
Expected annual loss, buildings and agriculture, all hazards	\$41,863,649
Expected annual loss, population equivalence, all hazards (NRI values each statistical life at \$13.7M; a modeled value of expected deaths and injuries, not property damage)	\$47,762,927
Social vulnerability rating	Relatively High
Community resilience rating	Relatively Moderate
NRI version	December 2025

FEMA's all-hazard expected annual loss adds buildings, agriculture and population equivalence; this table gives the property part and the population-equivalence part as separate rows.

Social vulnerability: higher means people are more likely to be harmed and slower to recover. Community resilience: lower means the community is less able to recover. High social vulnerability and low resilience both raise the NRI risk rating.

Supports FEMA checklist item B2-c: repetitive loss properties

Repetitive loss in this county, both definitions

Sources: 1, 4

Definition	Properties	Severe repetitive loss	Properties
Repetitive loss, FMA definition (44 CFR 77.2)	4	Severe repetitive loss, FMA definition (44 CFR 77.2)	8
Repetitive loss, NFIP insurance definition	43	Severe repetitive loss, NFIP insurance definition	4

The state NFIP coordinator's list, the source FEMA's Handbook names, often uses the NFIP insurance definition (second row).

Repeat-flood properties: county and state-level rows

Sources: 1, 4

Scope	RL, FMA <i>properties</i>	SRL, FMA <i>properties</i>	RL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	SRL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	Any category <i>properties</i>	Mitigated <i>properties</i>	Currently insured <i>properties</i>
County total	4	8	43	4	47	4	9
of which: Bono city	0	1	9	1	9	0	0
of which: Jonesboro city	3	7	31	3	35	4	9
of which: Lake City city	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
of which: Caraway city	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
of which: Craighead County (unincorporated area)	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Statewide, no county in FEMA's file	0	0	3	0	3	0	0

The statewide row counts properties FEMA's file gives with no county in this state; they are listed for reference and are not in this county's counts.

Repeat-flood properties by jurisdiction in the plan (NFIP community)

Sources: 1, 4

Jurisdiction	NFIP community ID	RL, FMA <i>properties</i>	SRL, FMA <i>properties</i>	RL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	SRL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	Any category <i>properties</i>	Mitigated <i>properties</i>	Currently insured <i>properties</i>
Craighead County	050427	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Bay city	050045	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Black Oak town	050389	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bono city	050046	0	1	9	1	9	0	0
Brookland city	050047	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Caraway city	050311	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Cash town	050396	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Egypt town	050585	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jonesboro city	050048	3	7	31	3	35	4	9
Lake City city	050049	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Monette city	050350	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Counts by occupancy group for each jurisdiction are in the Excel file, sheet "B2-c Jurisdictions".

Jurisdiction rows are whole NFIP communities and need not add up to the county total: a community that extends into another county is counted in full on each jurisdiction row, while the county table counts only its part in this county.

County repeat-flood properties by occupancy group

Sources: 1, 4

Occupancy group	RL, FMA <i>properties</i>	SRL, FMA <i>properties</i>	RL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	SRL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	Any category <i>properties</i>	Mitigated <i>properties</i>	Currently insured <i>properties</i>
single-family residential	4	7	36	3	40	4	5
2 to 4 unit residential	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
other residential	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
non-residential	0	1	6	1	6	0	4
not reported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

FEMA's occupancy groups have no institutional class; institutional properties are counted in non-residential or other residential in the table by occupancy group.

FMA RL and FMA SRL are the Flood Mitigation Assistance definitions (44 CFR 77.2), the ones the FEMA Local Mitigation Planning Policy Guide cites. NFIP repetitive loss (the FEMA insurance definition) is 2 or more claims over \$1,000 in 10 years, and a property can leave that group once it is mitigated. Also shown: NFIP severe repetitive loss, any category, mitigated and currently insured. The Methods page gives the OpenFEMA field details.

Counts are aggregates of FEMA's public NFIP Multiple Loss Properties file (FEMA's data date 2026-08-02; file version 2026-08-04). No property is identified. County assignment is FEMA's geocode.

In this county 2 properties are FMA repetitive loss but not NFIP repetitive loss, and 41 properties are NFIP repetitive loss but not FMA repetitive loss.

Exact counts; no count suppression.

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What this packet is and what the plan adds

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The plan adds what only the community has: local data on assets, critical facilities, development and each jurisdiction's impacts; local hazard history, including state-declared emergencies; the mitigation strategy; and adoption.

How the federal data are built: National Risk Index values are FEMA's model, not counts of events. Storm Events is more complete from 1996; zone-level records are placed by forecast zone, not by location in the county. Public Assistance for a jurisdiction is matched by applicant name. The Methods page gives every rule and the known edge cases.

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