

Taos County, NM

Risk-assessment baseline packet

Unit **County area 35055** Release **2026-10** As of **2026-09-28** Storm Events data through **2026-06-30**

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Plan clock

Status	No approved plan on record	Plan	none
Approved	none	Expires	none
As of	2026-09-28	Update underway	FEMA tracker shows a plan in review

FEMA's plan status data lists no approved plan for this jurisdiction.

What changed since your last plan

Not available. No approved plan on record, so there is no approval date to count from.

SOURCES: FEMA, OpenFEMA HazardMitigationPlanStatuses v1, version 2026-09-26T121003Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v1/HazardMitigationPlanStatuses> (API); FEMA, OpenFEMA DisasterDeclarationsSummaries v2, version 2026-09-27T010817Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v2/DisasterDeclarationsSummaries> (API); NOAA NCEI, NOAA NCEI Storm Events Database, details files (csvfiles v1.0), version c20260918, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/pub/data/swdi/stormevents/csvfiles/>; FEMA, OpenFEMA NfipMultipleLossProperties v1, version 2026-08-04T164045Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v1/NfipMultipleLossProperties> (API)

Plan status for every jurisdiction listed in this county

Jurisdiction	Type	Status	Plan	Approved	Expires	Days to expiry <i>negative = days since expiry</i>	Update underway	Notes
Taos County	County	No approved plan on record	none	none	none		FEMA tracker shows a plan in review	
Questa village	Village	No approved plan on record	none	none	none		FEMA tracker shows a plan in review	
Red River town	Town	No approved plan on record	none	none	none		FEMA tracker shows a plan in review	
Taos Ski Valley village	Village	No approved plan on record	none	none	none		FEMA tracker shows a plan in review	
Taos town	Town	No approved plan on record	none	none	none		FEMA tracker shows a plan in review	

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Mesa Vista Consolidated Schools	School/School District	No approved plan on record. Approvable pending adoption, not yet eligible	none	none	none		FEMA tracker shows a plan approvable pending adoption	Not yet eligible: adopt the approved plan.
Peñasco Independent Schools	School/School District	No approved plan on record. Approvable pending adoption, not yet eligible	none	none	none		FEMA tracker shows a plan approvable pending adoption	Not yet eligible: adopt the approved plan.

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

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Supports B1-a: hazards

Hazards NRI does not cover: check locally

- 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)

Rank by EAL	Hazard	NRI risk rating	EAL rating	EAL buildings modeled dollars per year	EAL agriculture modeled dollars per year	EAL population equivalence statistical value of life and injury, \$13.7M per life, not property damage	EAL total (see note) modeled dollars per year	Storm Events records since 1996 count	Evidence for an omission NRI Not Applicable, no declaration and no Storm Events record since 1996	Storm Events coverage note
1	Inland Flooding	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Low	\$14,054,802	\$2,082	\$38,854	\$14,095,738	12		
2	Wildfire	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$3,314,159	\$69	\$136,023	\$3,450,252	5		
3	Avalanche	Relatively High	Relatively Moderate	\$35		\$1,887,556	\$1,887,591	2		
4	Lightning	Relatively High	Relatively Moderate	\$5,377		\$691,074	\$696,451	1		
5	Cold Wave	Relatively Low	Relatively Low	\$889	\$1,272	\$410,652	\$412,813	3		
6	Winter Weather	Relatively High	Relatively High	\$24,930	\$772	\$314,106	\$339,808	78		
7	Earthquake	Relatively Low	Relatively Low	\$285,860		\$53,216	\$339,077			Not in Storm Events. Storm Events coverage of this hazard is limited; absence is not evidence of low risk.
8	Drought	Relatively Low	Relatively Low		\$240,839		\$240,839	57		
9	Tornado	Very Low	Very Low	\$70,646	\$25	\$108,653	\$179,324	2		
10	Landslide	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Low	\$7,273		\$46,390	\$53,663	2		

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11	Strong Wind	Very Low	Very Low	\$14,732	\$8	\$35,298	\$50,039	53		Includes 39 High Wind records and 1 Strong Wind record, event types the NRI definition of this hazard leaves out.
12	Hail	Very Low	Very Low	\$22,938	\$1,068	\$15,667	\$39,672	16		
13	Heat Wave	Very Low	Very Low	\$2	\$29	\$8,773	\$8,804	0		No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).
14	Ice Storm	Very Low	Very Low	\$23		\$2,345	\$2,368	0		No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).
15	Volcanic Activity	No Rating	No Expected Annual Losses	\$0		\$0	\$0	0		No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30). Storm Events coverage of this hazard is limited; absence is not evidence of low risk.
	Coastal Flooding	Not Applicable	Not Applicable					0	NRI rates coastal flooding Not Applicable for this county, and no federal declaration for this county names it.	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).
	Hurricane	Not Applicable	Not Applicable					0	NRI rates hurricane Not Applicable for this county, and no counted federal declaration for this county names it (EM-3229-NM names it but is not counted as a local occurrence; see B1-d).	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).
	Tsunami	Not Applicable	Not Applicable					0	NRI rates tsunami Not Applicable for this county, and no federal declaration for this county names it.	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30). Storm Events coverage of this hazard is limited; absence is not evidence of low risk.

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

SOURCES

FEMA, FEMA National Risk Index 1.20.0 (December 2025), county and census tract tables, version 1.20.0, pulled 2026-09-28, https://www.fema.gov/about/reports-and-data/openfema/nri/v120/NRI_Table_Counties.zip (download, 25 MB), https://www.fema.gov/about/reports-and-data/openfema/nri/v120/NRI_Table_CensusTracts.zip (download, 635 MB)
 NOAA NCEI, NOAA NCEI Storm Events Database, details files (csvfiles v1.0), version c20260918, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/pub/data/swdi/stormevents/csvfiles/>

Check your state hazard mitigation plan's hazard list for this county; explain any hazard you drop.

Supports B1-b: location

Where each hazard occurs

Hazard	Location	Census tracts rated <i>rated of all tracts</i>
Avalanche	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	9 of 10
Coastal Flooding	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	0 of 10
Cold Wave	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	10 of 10
Drought	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	8 of 10
Earthquake	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	10 of 10
Hail	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	10 of 10
Heat Wave	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	10 of 10
Hurricane	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	0 of 10
Ice Storm	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	10 of 10
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.	10 of 10
Landslide	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	10 of 10
Lightning	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	10 of 10
Strong Wind	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	10 of 10
Tornado	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	10 of 10
Tsunami	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	0 of 10
Volcanic Activity	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	0 of 10
Wildfire	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	10 of 10
Winter Weather	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	10 of 10

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Supports B1-c: extent

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

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count, years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to members	Note
Avalanche	none (count and damage)	2, 2022 to 2023 (2 zone-level)		Avalanche, 2023-02-22, \$2,000 property; crops not reported, reported for the zone (2023 dollars); NWS zone NMZ213 (NORTHERN SANGRE DE CRISTO MOUNTAINS), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		Zone-level records: applies countywide; national data do not locate these events within the county.	Physical measure: in event narratives only; local data required.
Coastal Flood, Storm Surge/ Tide	none in data (FIRM for depth)	0					Flood depth: see the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map.
Cold/Wind Chill, Extreme Cold/Wind Chill	wind chill	3, 1997 to 2025 (2 zone-level)	1 day to 2 days (median 2 days); 3 with a recorded value	2 consecutive days, 2025-01-20 to 2025-01-21		Event records naming member places: Taos town (1 record). Zone-level records (2) apply countywide.	Wind chill: in event narratives only; local data required.
Frost/Freeze (outside NRI Cold Wave definition)	crop damage	0					Temperature: in event narratives only; local data required.
Drought	US Drought Monitor D-scale	57, 2019 to 2026 (57 zone-level)	59 days to 883 days (median 137.5 days); 6 with a recorded value	883 days (29 months), 2020-04-01 to 2022-08-31, a run of 29 consecutive Storm Events drought records, zone-level		Zone-level records: applies countywide; national data do not locate these events within the county.	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					No Storm Events record; local data required (e.g., USGS).
Hail	hail size (inches)	17, 1961 to 2026	0.75 in to 1.5 in (median 0.75 in); 17 with a recorded value	1.5 in hail, 1961-08-22		Event records naming member places: Taos town (4 records), Red River town (2 records).	
Excessive Heat, Heat	heat index (narratives)	0					Heat index: in event narratives only; local data required.

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count, years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to members	Note
Hurricane, Tropical Storm, Tropical Depression	Saffir-Simpson	0					Storm Events files every zone of a storm's episode under the storm's event type and category, so a Hurricane (Typhoon) record, especially an inland or remnant one, does not by itself mean hurricane-force winds here; read the damage and wind columns.
Ice Storm	Sperry-Piltz (local data)	0					Ice thickness: in event narratives only; local data required.
Flash Flood, Flood, Lakeshore Flood	damage and flood days (FIRM for depth)	12, 2013 to 2022		Flash Flood, 2021-07-21, \$500,000 property; \$0 crops (2021 dollars)		Event records naming member places: Red River town (5 records).	Flood depth: see the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map. Storm Events damage can be \$0 or blank even for a major flood, so the worst record here may not be the worst flood; compare FEMA Public Assistance by declaration in B1-d.
Debris Flow	none (count and damage)	2, 2025 to 2025		Debris Flow, 2025-07-31, \$50,000 property; \$0 crops (2025 dollars)		Event records naming member places: Questa village (1 record), Red River town (1 record).	Physical measure: in event narratives only; local data required.
Lightning	annualized frequency (the measure FEMA's Local Mitigation Planning Handbook names)	1, 1999 to 1999		Lightning, 1999-09-14, damage not reported, 1 direct injury		Event records naming member places: Red River town (1 record).	Storm Events lists lightning with damage or casualties; physical measure in event narratives only; local data required.
High Wind and Strong Wind (outside NRI Strong Wind definition)	wind speed (kt and mph)	40, 2020 to 2026 (40 zone- level)	35 kt (40 mph) to 90 kt (104 mph) (median 56 kt (64 mph)); 40 with a recorded value	90 kt (104 mph) measured gust, High Wind, 2021-12-15; NWS zone NMZ213 (NORTHERN SANGRE DE CRISTO MOUNTAINS), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		Zone-level records: applies countywide; national data do not locate these events within the county.	
Thunderstorm Wind	wind speed (kt and mph)	13, 1997 to 2026	50 kt (58 mph) to 78 kt (90 mph) (median 52.5 kt (60 mph)); 12 with a recorded value	78 kt (90 mph) estimated gust, Thunderstorm Wind, 2021-12-15		Event records naming member places: Taos town (3 records).	

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count, years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to members	Note
Tornado	Enhanced Fujita (F before Feb 2007)	2, 2009 to 2018	F/EF0; 2 with a recorded value	EF0 tornado, 2009-07-13, 0.1 mi within this county, 10 yd wide, \$10,000 property; \$0 crops (2009 dollars)		No event record names a member place.	From 1996 on, tornado records are per-county segments and length is the path length within this county (NWS Instruction 10-1605); records before 1996 may give the whole path length, including the path outside this county, and before 1996 a tornado is listed once, under the county where it began, with the whole path's rating; counties farther along the path may not list it. Length is not used to rank tornadoes.
Tsunami	none (count and damage)	0					Physical measure: in event narratives only; local data required.
Volcanic Ash, Volcanic Ashfall	Volcanic Explosivity Index (local data)	0					Physical measure: in event narratives only; local data required.
Wildfire	acres burned (local data)	5, 1996 to 2026 (4 zone-level)		Wildfire, 1996-05-06, \$1,500,000 property; crops not reported (1996 dollars)		No event record names a member place. Zone-level records (4) apply countywide.	Acres burned: in event narratives only; local data required.
Winter Storm, Heavy Snow, Blizzard, Lake-Effect Snow, Winter Weather, Sleet	none in data (snowfall local)	78, 2019 to 2026 (78 zone-level)		Winter Storm, 2020-09-08, \$50,000 property; \$0 crops, reported for the zone (2020 dollars); NWS zone NMZ210 (TUSAS MOUNTAINS INCLUDING CHAMA), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		Zone-level records: applies countywide; national data do not locate these events within the county.	Snow depth: in event narratives only; local data required.

Storm Events records are more complete after 1996; before 1996 only Tornado (from 1950), Hail and Thunderstorm Wind (from 1955) exist. Zone-level records are placed with NWS zone-county files, which exist from 2020 on; an earlier record is placed by its zone number in the nearest later file only when its zone name matches that file, records from zones NWS renumbered are placed by name or left out, and a record whose zone is in no known file is left out of every count, so counts before 2020 can be low. Some current zones are also missing from the NWS files, so recent counts can be low too.

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

SOURCES

NOAA NCEI, NOAA NCEI Storm Events Database, details files (csvfiles v1.0), version c20260918, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/pub/data/swdi/stormevents/csvfiles/>

NOAA National Weather Service, NWS county-public forecast zones correlation file, version bp03mr20 to bp16ap26 (11 files; newest bp16ap26), pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.weather.gov/gis/ZoneCounty>

Supports B1-d: previous occurrences

Declaration rows10

Counted incidents6

No approved plan on record, so there is no approval date to count from.

Federal disaster declarations for this county

Declared	Incident began	FEMA number	Type	Title	Mapped hazard	County Public Assistance <i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	Flags	Notes
2020-04-05	2020-01-20	DR-4529-NM	Major disaster	COVID-19 PANDEMIC	Non-natural, not counted	\$165,405.22		
2020-03-13	2020-01-20	EM-3460-NM	Emergency	COVID-19	Non-natural, not counted	none found		same incident as DR-4529
2013-10-29	2013-09-09	DR-4152-NM	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, FLOODING, AND MUDSLIDES	Inland Flooding (primary); also designated: Landslide	\$20,756.37		
2011-03-24	2011-02-01	DR-1962-NM	Major disaster	SEVERE WINTER STORM AND EXTREME COLD TEMPERATURES	Winter Weather	\$161,010.52		
2006-08-30	2006-07-26	DR-1659-NM	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding	\$620,010.50		
2005-09-07	2005-08-29	EM-3229-NM	Emergency	HURRICANE KATRINA EVACUATION	Hurricane: evacuation support, not a local hazard event; not counted	none found		
2000-05-13	2000-05-05	DR-1329-NM	Major disaster	SEVERE FOREST FIRE	Wildfire	PA not declared for this county		
2000-05-10	2000-05-05	EM-3154-NM	Emergency	SEVERE FIRE THREATS	Wildfire	none found		same incident as DR-1329
1979-06-23	1979-06-23	DR-589-NM	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, SNOWMELT & FLOODING	Inland Flooding	none found		
1973-05-11	1973-05-11	DR-380-NM	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, SNOW MELT & FLOODING	Inland Flooding	none found		

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

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FEMA, OpenFEMA DisasterDeclarationsSummaries v2, version 2026-09-27T010817Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v2/DisasterDeclarationsSummaries> (API)
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Statewide declarations

Declared	Incident began	FEMA number	Type	Title	Mapped hazard	Flags	Notes
1998-07-02	1998-06-29	EM-3128-NM	Emergency	EXTREME FIRE HAZARDS	Wildfire		
1955-08-15	1955-08-15	DR-38-NM	Major disaster	FLOOD	Inland Flooding		
1954-10-13	1954-10-13	DR-27-NM	Major disaster	FLOOD	Inland Flooding		

FEMA recorded these with designated area Statewide and no county. Listed on every county page in the state; not counted with county rows.

5 Fire Management declarations (1974-05-21 to 2003-05-10) FEMA filed as Statewide with no county; each names one local fire. Listed on the state page.

SOURCE

FEMA, OpenFEMA DisasterDeclarationsSummaries v2, version 2026-09-27T010817Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v2/DisasterDeclarationsSummaries> (API)

Public Assistance filed under this county for declarations that do not list it: 1 row, \$34,979.43

FEMA number	Declared	Title	Applicant	PA obligated <i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>
DR-4197-NM	2014-10-06	SEVERE STORMS AND FLOODING	ACEQUIA DE LA MESA PRIETA	\$34,979.43

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.

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Public Assistance not placed in a county in this state: 1 row, \$6,157.13

Disaster number	Declared	Applicant	County field in FEMA data	PA obligated <i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	Why not placed
1301	1999-09-22	San Miguel Ditch	Pueblo County	\$6,157.13	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state

FEMA's Public Assistance summaries file these applicants under a county field that is not a county of this state (an Alaska school area, the former Valdez-Cordova Census Area, or another state's county), and the applicant name does not identify one place here. They are listed for the whole state and are not in any county total. Check whether any of them worked in your county.

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Previous occurrences by hazard, with explicit no-event rows

Hazard	Storm Events records <i>full period</i>	Since plan approval records	During plan review records	Last 5 years records	Declared incidents <i>distinct incidents</i>	Declared since approval <i>distinct incidents</i>	Period	Statement
Avalanche	2			2	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	
Coastal Flooding	0			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Cold Wave	3			2	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	
Drought	57			36	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	
Earthquake	0			0	0			No Storm Events record; local data required (e.g., USGS).
Hail	17			1	0		1955 to 2026-06-30	
Heat Wave	0			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events

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Hurricane	0			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Ice Storm	0			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Inland Flooding	12			2	4		1996 to 2026-06-30	
Landslide	2			2	1		1996 to 2026-06-30	
Lightning	1			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	
Strong Wind	53			41	0		1955 to 2026-06-30	Includes 39 High Wind records and 1 Strong Wind record, event types the NRI definition of this hazard leaves out.
Tornado	2			0	0		1950 to 2026-06-30	
Tsunami	0			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Volcanic Activity	0			0	0		1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Wildfire	5			3	1		1996 to 2026-06-30	
Winter Weather	78			57	1		1996 to 2026-06-30	

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Notable Storm Events records

Date	Event type	Magnitude or extent	Damage <i>nominal dollars</i>	Direct deaths, injuries <i>indirect not counted</i>	Location	Flags	Why listed
2025-07-31	Debris Flow		\$50,000 property; \$0 crops (2025 dollars)	0, 0	RED RIVER	within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: Debris Flow
2025-01-20	Extreme Cold/ Wind Chill		damage not reported	0, 0	NWS zone NMZ213 (NORTHERN SANGRE DE CRISTO MOUNTAINS), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties	within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: Cold/Wind Chill, Extreme Cold/Wind Chill
2023-02-22	Avalanche		\$2,000 property; crops not reported, reported for the zone (2023 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone NMZ213 (NORTHERN SANGRE DE CRISTO MOUNTAINS), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties	within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: Avalanche

Date	Event type	Magnitude or extent	Damage	Direct deaths, injuries	Location	Flags	Why listed
			<i>nominal dollars</i>	<i>indirect not counted</i>			
2021-12-15	Thunderstorm Wind	78 kt (90 mph) estimated gust	\$5,000,000 property; \$0 crops (2021 dollars)	0, 0	TAOS to EL PRADO	within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: Thunderstorm Wind
2021-12-15	High Wind	90 kt (104 mph) measured gust	\$2,500,000 property; \$0 crops, reported for the zone (2021 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone NMZ213 (NORTHERN SANGRE DE CRISTO MOUNTAINS), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties	within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: High Wind and Strong Wind (outside NRI Strong Wind definition)
2021-07-21	Flash Flood		\$500,000 property; \$0 crops (2021 dollars)	0, 0	VADITO to PICURIS PUEBLO		B1-c worst recorded: Flash Flood, Flood, Lakeshore Flood
2020-09-08	Winter Storm		\$50,000 property; \$0 crops, reported for the zone (2020 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone NMZ210 (TUSAS MOUNTAINS INCLUDING CHAMA), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		B1-c worst recorded: Winter Storm, Heavy Snow, Blizzard, Lake-Effect Snow, Winter Weather, Sleet
2020-04-01	Drought		damage not reported	0, 0	NWS zone NMZ210 (TUSAS MOUNTAINS INCLUDING CHAMA), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		B1-c worst recorded: Drought
2009-07-13	Tornado	EFO, 0.1 mi within this county, 10 yd wide	\$10,000 property; \$0 crops (2009 dollars)	0, 0	TRES PIEDRAS		B1-c worst recorded: Tornado
1999-09-14	Lightning		damage not reported	0, 1	RED RIVER		deaths or injuries recorded
1997-12-28	Cold/Wind Chill		damage not reported	1, 0	TAOS		deaths or injuries recorded
1996-05-06	Wildfire		\$1,500,000 property; crops not reported (1996 dollars)	0, 0	LAMA		B1-c worst recorded: Wildfire

The full list is in the XLSX file, sheet "B1-d Storm Events history" (232 rows).

Storm Events records are more complete after 1996; before 1996 only Tornado (from 1950), Hail and Thunderstorm Wind (from 1955) exist. Zone-level records are placed with NWS zone-county files, which exist from 2020 on; an earlier record is placed by its zone number in the nearest later file only when its zone name matches that file, records from zones NWS renumbered are placed by name or left out, and a record whose zone is in no known file is left out of every count, so counts before 2020 can be low. Some current zones are also missing from the NWS files, so recent counts can be low too.

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State-declared emergencies are not in federal data. Add them from your state emergency management agency.

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

Supports B1-e: probability

Probability: FEMA annualized frequency and descriptor per hazard

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
Avalanche	0.133	events per year	about 1 in 8 years	Likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	4	1994 to 2023 (30 years)	see B1-f	
Coastal Flooding		events per year at a location (modeled)				not shown	modeled	see B1-f	Not Applicable in NRI for this county; no descriptor.
Cold Wave	0.172	event-days per year	about 0.172 days per year	Likely	event-days in 3 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (10%)	3.27	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)	countywide	Frost/Freeze records are not counted in this descriptor: they record crop freezes, not cold waves.
Drought	111	event-days per year	about 111 days per year	Likely	event-days in 7 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (23.3%)	3,948	2000 to 2025 (25.25 years; D3 and D4 only)	countywide	NRI gives about 111 drought event-days a year here (its annualized frequency over 25.25 years; not its event count divided by the years), but Storm Events has a record in only 7 of 30 years. NRI counts from a different source that records far more events than Storm Events, so this descriptor reads much lower than NRI's frequency; read the two together.
Earthquake	0.00199	annual probability at a location	chance a given location in the county has at least minor- damage shaking in a year: 0.199%			not shown	modeled	see B1-f	Descriptor not assigned: the NRI value is the chance at a location in the county, not how often the hazard affects the county, and Storm Events does not record earthquakes.
Hail	0.727	events per year	about 0.73 per year	Likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	27.6 (modeled)	1986 to 2023 (38 years)	countywide	
Heat Wave	0.0525	event-days per year	about 0.0525 days per year		event-days in 0 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (0%)	0.997	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)	countywide	No recorded event-days, 1996 to 2025; descriptor not assigned
Hurricane		events per year					1851 to 2024 (Atlantic)	see B1-f	Not Applicable in NRI for this county; no descriptor.
Ice Storm	0.0149	event-days per year	about 0.0149 days per year		event-days in 0 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (0%)	0	1946-12-31 to 2014-02-12 (67 years)	countywide	No recorded event-days, 1996 to 2025; descriptor not assigned

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
Inland Flooding	0.429	event-days per year	about 0.429 days per year	Likely	event-days in 7 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (23.3%)	12	1996 to 2023 (28 years)	see B1-f	
Landslide	0.886	events per year (modeled)	about 0.89 per year	Likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	modeled	see B1-f	
Lightning	70	days per year with a strike	about 70 days per year	Highly likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	1995 to 2023 (29 years; CONUS)	countywide	
Strong Wind	0.0919	events per year	about 1 in 11 years	Possible	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	4	1986 to 2023 (38 years)	countywide	
Tornado	0.156	events per year	about 1 in 6 years	Likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	1950 to 2023 (EF2+); 1986 to 2023 (EF0-1)	see B1-f	
Tsunami		annual probability at the most exposed location (used in place of a county value)				not shown	modeled	see B1-f	Not Applicable in NRI for this county; no descriptor.
Volcanic Activity	0	annual probability	none modeled	Unlikely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	modeled	see B1-f	
Wildfire	0.00382	annual probability at a location	chance a given location in the county burns in a year: 0.382%	Likely	Storm Events records in 3 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (10%)	not shown	modeled	see B1-f	Descriptor from Storm Events, not NRI: the NRI value is the chance at a location in the county, not how often the hazard affects the county.
Winter Weather	25.1	event-days per year	about 25.1 days per year	Likely	event-days in 7 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (23.3%)	478	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)	countywide	NRI gives about 25.1 winter weather event-days a year here (its annualized frequency over 19 years; not its event count divided by the years), but Storm Events has a record in only 7 of 30 years. NRI counts from a different source that records far more events than Storm Events, so this descriptor reads much lower than NRI's frequency; read the two together.

FEMA annualized frequency (modeled) comes from the National Risk Index v1.20 (December 2025). It is not recorded events divided by years, and what it measures depends on the hazard. For most hazards it estimates how often the hazard affects this county each year: it counts events or event-days (drought, heat wave, cold wave, winter weather, ice storm and inland flooding are in days per year; lightning is the number of days per year with a recorded cloud-to-ground strike, from the NOAA Storm Prediction Center daily lightning climatology); it may count events in the surrounding area (hail, strong wind, tornado, hurricane and ice storm use a 49 km grid and buffers) and is averaged over the county's area; and some hazards use a minimum value for places with no recorded event. Earthquake, wildfire and coastal flooding

are different: FEMA computes them for each census block and averages them over the county, so the value is the chance (for coastal flooding, the modeled number of floods per year) at a location in the county, which is lower than the chance that the hazard strikes somewhere in the county. Earthquake is the chance of at least minor-damage shaking (U.S. Geological Survey model); wildfire is the chance that a location burns in a large fire (U.S. Forest Service burn probability); coastal flooding comes from FEMA flood zones and NOAA high-tide flooding, so it can be above 1 where high-tide flooding is frequent. Tsunami is the value at the county's most exposed location, from recorded events and modeled return periods. For these four hazards the packet gives no "1 in N years" and takes the descriptor from Storm Events (none for earthquake) unless the value is 1 or more a year. Landslide is a U.S. Geological Survey modeled county rate spread by slope susceptibility. Volcanic activity is the chance that a volcano affecting the county erupts in a year. Drought counts only extreme and exceptional drought (D3 and D4). Source: FEMA, National Risk Index Technical Documentation v1.20, sections 5.2.2 (Table 5), 5.2.3, 7.4, 10.4, 16.5, 17.1, 17.3.1, 17.5, 20.3.1, 21.4, 22.4 and 6 to 23.

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Descriptor scale used in this packet (defined per unit)

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

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Intensity bands: historical frequency (Storm Events)

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	3	30	0.1
Hail	2.00 in+	1996 to 2025	0	30	0
Strong Wind (Thunderstorm Wind records)	50-64 kt	1996 to 2025	7	30	0.233
Strong Wind (Thunderstorm Wind records)	65 kt+	1996 to 2025	3	30	0.1
Strong Wind (Thunderstorm Wind records)	unmeasured or below 50 kt	1996 to 2025	1	30	0.0333
Tornado	EF0-1	1996 to 2025	2	30	0.0667
Tornado	EF2-3	1996 to 2025	0	30	0
Tornado	EF4-5	1996 to 2025	0	30	0

Hazard	Band	Years	Events <i>county-coded records</i>	Years in period	Events per year <i>events / years</i>
Tornado	unrated (EFU)	1996 to 2025	0	30	0

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.

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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.

Supports B1-f: variation across the planning area

Range of census tract risk within the county

Hazard	Tracts <i>rated of all</i>	Risk score min <i>NRI score, 0 to 100</i>	Median	Max	Tracts by rating	Note
Avalanche	9 of 10	88.4	90.5	91.1	Relatively Moderate 9, Not Applicable 1	
Coastal Flooding	0 of 10				Not Applicable 10	
Cold Wave	10 of 10	20.8	54.1	65.8	Relatively Moderate 6, Relatively Low 4	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Drought	8 of 10	83.4	88.4	97.0	Relatively Moderate 3, Relatively Low 5, No Rating 2	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. Agriculture is all of NRI's expected annual loss for this hazard in the county, so the tract range above mostly reflects where crop and livestock value is, not where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Earthquake	10 of 10	40.9	55.3	71.1	Relatively Low 9, Very Low 1	
Hail	10 of 10	34.4	46.6	50.6	Relatively Low 9, Very Low 1	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Heat Wave	10 of 10	2.0	2.3	4.5	Very Low 10	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Hurricane	0 of 10				Not Applicable 10	
Ice Storm	10 of 10	2.1	3.5	5.1	Very Low 10	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Inland Flooding	10 of 10	64.9	90.2	99.6	Very High 1, Relatively High 7, Relatively Moderate 2	
Landslide	10 of 10	26.9	93.4	99.1	Relatively Moderate 5, Relatively Low 3, Very Low 2	

Hazard	Tracts rated of all	Risk score min NRI score, 0 to 100	Median	Max	Tracts by rating	Note
Lightning	10 of 10	89.9	97.9	99.1	Very High 8, Relatively High 2	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Strong Wind	10 of 10	18.5	30.2	34.0	Relatively Low 9, Very Low 1	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Tornado	10 of 10	14.0	35.9	39.1	Relatively Low 7, Very Low 3	
Tsunami	0 of 10				Not Applicable 10	
Volcanic Activity	0 of 10				No Rating 10	
Wildfire	10 of 10	93.1	96.6	99.2	Very High 1, Relatively High 4, Relatively Moderate 5	
Winter Weather	10 of 10	94.2	98.3	98.8	Very High 9, Relatively High 1	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.

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.

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Per-member block (Starter, confirm locally)

Member	Type	Plan status	Repetitive loss FMA RL and SRL (44 CFR 77.2); repeat- flood, any definition	Public Assistance matched federal share obligated, nominal dollars	Event records naming this place all years; since the member's plan	Notes
Taos County	County	No approved plan on record	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$202,378.59	0; no approved plan	Includes \$147,652.63 for declarations not counted as hazard incidents (DR-4529-NM).
Questa village	Village	No approved plan on record	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$23,045.48	1; no approved plan	
Red River town	Town	No approved plan on record	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$14,731.15	9; no approved plan	
Taos Ski Valley village	Village	No approved plan on record		none found	0; no approved plan	No NFIP community ID on this member's plan row.
Taos town	Town	No approved plan on record	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	\$68,507.93	8; no approved plan	

Member 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 member row, while the county table counts only its part in this county.

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

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Supports B2-a and B2-b: assets and impacts

Local data required

County-level starter. The plan must describe impacts for each participant and its own assets.

No approved plan on record, so there is no approval date to count from.

- Critical facilities and lifelines per hazard
- A problem statement per participant 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

Hazard	Building exposure modeled dollars	Agriculture exposure modeled dollars	Population exposed people	EAL buildings modeled dollars per year	EAL agriculture modeled dollars per year	EAL population equivalence statistical value of life and injury, \$13.7M per life, not property damage	EAL as % of exposure buildings; agriculture where noted	Storm Events damage since plan county-coded records, property plus crops, nominal dollars	Zone-level damage since plan property plus crops, reported for the zone	Public Assistance since plan nominal dollars; see note	Note
Avalanche	\$1,560,875		10	\$35		\$1,887,556	0.00224%				
Coastal Flooding											Not Applicable in NRI for this county
Cold Wave	\$8,147,708,216	\$9,832,656	34,371	\$889	\$1,272	\$410,652	under 0.0001%				
Drought		\$2,997,644			\$240,839		8.03% (agriculture)				NRI has no building exposure for this hazard; agriculture shown
Earthquake	\$13,335,177,865		34,489	\$285,860		\$53,216	0.00214%				
Hail	\$8,147,708,216	\$9,832,656	34,371	\$22,938	\$1,068	\$15,667	0.000282%				
Heat Wave	\$7,013,246,921	\$8,756,951	32,289	\$2	\$29	\$8,773	under 0.0001%				
Hurricane											Not Applicable in NRI for this county
Ice Storm	\$8,147,708,216		34,371	\$23		\$2,345	under 0.0001%				
Inland Flooding	\$8,145,660,954	\$388,874	1,361	\$14,054,802	\$2,082	\$38,854	n/a (see note)				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. EAL as % of exposure: n/a.
Landslide	\$251,952,817		872	\$7,273		\$46,390	0.00289%				

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>	EAL population equivalence <i>statistical value of life and injury, \$13.7M per life, not property damage</i>	EAL as % of exposure <i>buildings; agriculture where noted</i>	Storm Events damage since plan <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
Lightning	\$8,147,708,216		34,371	\$5,377		\$691,074	under 0.0001%				
Strong Wind	\$8,147,708,216	\$9,832,656	34,371	\$14,732	\$8	\$35,298	0.000181%				
Tornado	\$8,147,708,216	\$9,832,656	34,371	\$70,646	\$25	\$108,653	0.000867%				
Tsunami											Not Applicable in NRI for this county
Volcanic Activity	\$8,147,708,216		34,371	\$0		\$0	0%				
Wildfire	\$2,971,387,678	\$5,971,462	20,357	\$3,314,159	\$69	\$136,023	0.112%				
Winter Weather	\$8,147,708,216	\$9,832,656	34,371	\$24,930	\$772	\$314,106	0.000306%				

Totals since the plan: not available. No approved plan on record, so there is no approval date to count from.

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

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 must not be added up; the unit total counts each declaration once.

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

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Supports B2-a: context

County context

Measure	Value
Population	34,371
Building value (total, not at risk)	\$8,147,708,216
Agriculture value (total, not at risk)	\$9,832,656
NRI risk rating (all hazards)	Relatively Low
Expected annual loss, buildings and agriculture, all hazards	\$18,047,832
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)	\$3,748,607

Measure	Value
Social vulnerability rating	Very High
Community resilience rating	Relatively Low
NRI version	December 2025

FEMA's all-hazard expected annual loss total adds buildings, agriculture and population equivalence; the two parts are shown separately so the property figure is not read as including the statistical value of life.

SOURCE
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Supports B2-c: repetitive loss

Repetitive loss in this county, both definitions

Definition	Properties	Severe repetitive loss	Properties
Repetitive loss, FMA definition (44 CFR 77.2)	0	Severe repetitive loss, FMA definition (44 CFR 77.2)	0
Repetitive loss, NFIP insurance definition	0	Severe repetitive loss, NFIP insurance definition	0

Your state NFIP coordinator's list may use the NFIP insurance definition, so its counts can be higher.

SOURCES
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Repeat-flood properties: county total and NFIP communities

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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Repeat-flood properties by plan member (NFIP community)

Member	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>	Note
Taos County	350078	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Questa village	350116	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Red River town	350079	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Taos town	350080	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Per-member types: XLSX sheet 'B2-c Members'.

Member 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 member row, while the county table counts only its part in this county.

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County repeat-flood properties by occupancy group

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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 to 4 unit residential	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
other residential	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
non-residential	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
not reported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Institutional properties cannot be separated in this data: FEMA's occupancy groups have no institutional class, so they fall in non-residential or other residential in the table by occupancy group.

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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; OpenFEMA's fmaRI field description omits the Increased Cost of Compliance clause of 44 CFR 77.2(i). NFIP repetitive loss (FEMA insurance definition, nfipRI) is 2 or more claims over \$1,000 in 10 years and can drop to false when a property is mitigated. Also shown: NFIP severe repetitive loss, any category, mitigated and currently insured.

Your state NFIP coordinator's list may use the NFIP insurance definition, so its counts can be higher.

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

Counts may differ from your state NFIP coordinator's list, which is the source the Handbook names.

In this county 0 properties are FMA repetitive loss but not NFIP repetitive loss, and 0 properties are NFIP repetitive loss but not FMA repetitive loss.

Exact counts; no count suppression.

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