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Individual Assistance Approved for Storm Survivors in Two Counties

MONTGOMERY – Governor Robert Bentley on Wednesday received notification that his request for federal assistance for survivors of last week’s severe weather has been approved for two counties.

Individual assistance was approved by President Barack Obama for Jefferson and Chilton Counties.

The assistance comes through the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Based on individual needs, the assistance can range from funding for temporary housing to financial help with home repairs or replacements that are not covered by insurance.

“I am pleased with the President’s approval of this assistance,” Governor Bentley said. “Recovering from these storms will be a long-term process, and this individual assistance will greatly help people as they work to rebuild their homes.”

People in Jefferson and Chilton Counties who would like to apply for individual assistance can contact FEMA at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362). People can also consult the website www.disasterassistance.gov to register for assistance.

A request for individual assistance for people in Perry County is still under review by the federal government. Until a decision is reached, state resources, volunteer organizations, and other resources are being sought to assist people in Perry County as necessary.

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For more information, contact the Governor’s Press Office at 334-242-7150.