



FEMA

February 10, 2016

The Honorable Greg Abbott
Governor of Texas
P.O. Box 12428
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Governor Abbott:

This is in response to your January 26, 2016, request for a major disaster declaration for the State of Texas as a result of severe winter storms, tornadoes, straight-line winds, and flooding during the period of December 26, 2015 to January 21, 2016. You specifically requested Individual Assistance for six counties, Public Assistance for 25 counties, and Hazard Mitigation statewide.

The February 9, 2016, major disaster declaration FEMA-4255-DR authorized Public Assistance for Bailey, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Dallas, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Ellis, Hall, Hardeman, Harrison, Henderson, Hopkins, Kaufman, Kent, King, Lamb, Lubbock, Navarro, Parmer, Rains, Red River, Rockwall, Titus, and Van Zandt Counties and Hazard Mitigation statewide.

Based on our review of all of the information available, including the results of the joint Preliminary Damage Assessment, it has been determined that the impact to individuals and households from this event was not of the severity and magnitude to warrant the designation of Individual Assistance under FEMA-4255-DR. Therefore, your request for Individual Assistance for Collin, Dallas, Ellis, Franklin, Rockwall, and Van Zandt Counties is denied.

This denial may be appealed within 30 days after the date of this letter. Any appeal pursuant to 44 CFR § 206.46, along with additional information justifying the appeal, should be submitted to me through George A. Robinson, Regional Administrator, FEMA Region VI, located at 800 North Loop 288, Denton, Texas 76209-3698.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elizabeth A. Zimmerman".

Elizabeth A. Zimmerman
Associate Administrator
Office of Response and Recovery