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Governor Bentley Announces Extension of Federal Cost Share Debris Removal Deadline

MONTGOMERY—Governor Bentley today announced that FEMA has granted his request to add Public Assistance, Category A (debris removal) to Operation Clean Sweep. All debris removal operations, whether performed by the US Army Corps of Engineers (direct Federal assistance), a private contractor, or force account labor will be at a 90% Federal cost share if performed within, or immediately adjacent to, areas determined to have catastrophic or extensive damage by FEMA.

The ongoing pilot program is being extended for an additional 30 days, the original deadline was June 12th and now the new deadline is July 12, 2011.

“Yesterday marked the thirtieth day since the deadly tornado outbreak. I spent the day traveling to some of our hardest areas of the state and have seen positive signs that progress is being made in this long recovery process,” said Governor Bentley. “I am pleased that the deadline for the 90 percent federal funding share has been extended so our communities will be better able to continue the progress that is being made.”

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