

Surplus Sampler

July 2006

From The Director's Chair

BSSO is back in the spotlight. Ed Myslewicz, DGS Press Secretary, appeared in the Reading Eagle during the week of 6/19 and again in the [Philadelphia Inquirer](#) on 7/10. Both articles recounted our success using eBay as a distribution channel and our novel use of employees on Workmen's Comp to sort voluntarily surrendered airport property. Look for us on WGAL TV-28 soon and in the August edition of Central PA Magazine.

Big news to report on HR1992. You will recall that we first started tracking this bill for you back in our February edition. The bill was signed into law by the Governor on 7/6. Unfortunately, the Senate changed the House version so that the increase in available loans is good for one year only (fiscal year beginning 7/1/06). Contact [DCED](#) as soon as possible to take advantage of the new ceiling for equipment (max \$50k) or facility (max \$100k). With a low 2% interest rate over the life of the equipment or maximum of 10 years, this loan would be a perfect way to pay for the bargains available at our Auction Blowout in August.

BSSO has been actively assisting with recent flood relief efforts. Scott Pepperman spent over a week at PEMA serving as DGS EPLO (Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer). This Bureau helped to secure temporary storage for water at the LCB/Kane Warehouse in Wilkes-Barre; we used one of our tractor trailers and driver to deliver water direct to a needy community; and we are currently working with PEMA, GSA, and DRMS to access Federal Surplus with a higher priority due to the disaster declaration. If you are located in one of the affected counties, please read our **Special Flood Relief Announcements** for instructions to apply for Federal Surplus Property Assistance.

Please check out our website for updated listings of goods to be offered at the [Auction Blowout](#) in August at the Farm Show. At this time, lists have been posted by the Turnpike and Attorney General and Penndot. Speaking of Penndot, they are after us to conduct more Right-of-Way sales in the near future. Check out Joe Angelo's column for the latest on both the Blowout & pending Right-of-Way sales.

Federal Surplus has a large quantity of **identical** cherry/mahogany computer desks. It is rare for us to get identical units in large quantities. Scott Pepperman's column will provide the details of this and other specials as you prepare to receive students in September.

July 1 marks the beginning of the new fiscal year here in Harrisburg. As such, we pause to reflect on the prior year's goals and performance. I am ecstatic to report that each of our Divisions has met and indeed exceeded their financial goals and performance metrics. These goals include inventory accuracy, inventory turnover, on-time delivery, revenue, and costs. I could not be more pleased with BOTH the effort and the results brought home by my staff. Please join me in congratulating them as we look forward to building on our success. Thank you for being such great customers and helping us to achieve this unprecedented level of success.

**Department of General Services
Bureau of Supplies and Surplus Operations
Federal Surplus Division**

SPECIAL FLOOD RELIEF ANNOUNCEMENT

Recently, Governor Rendell announced that 21 counties have been declared Federal disaster areas.

The Bureau of Supplies and Surplus Operations (BSSO) has been working with the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA), the General Services Administration (GSA), and the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service (DRMS) to structure relief efforts consistent with the terms of the aforementioned declaration.

Be now advised that DGS/BSSO will expedite requests for Federal Surplus Property needed for flood relief whenever it is so noted. Eligible donees in the affected areas can help by writing the following on our [Wants List Request Form](#), "FLOOD RELIEF - _____ COUNTY". Please fax the form to 717-772-2491. Our personnel will verify that the organization is located in the declared zone and insure that the property requested is useful for mitigation and relief purposes.

We will allocate whatever property we have on-hand first. For items not readily available in inventory, DGS/BSSO has secured priority screening of civilian agency surplus property through GSA. We will now be #2 on the priority list behind only other Federal agencies.

DRMS has just advised us this morning (7/17/06), that they too will move us up on the screening priority list and expedite requests for military surplus property designated for flood relief.

Based on the stipulations of the existing declaration, donees who receive Federal Surplus Property must pay the applicable service charge to DGS/BSSO, under it's normal terms and conditions. Donees may request assistance with the cost by applying to FEMA. FEMA can be reached at 1-800-621-3362 or www.fema.gov.

The entire DGS/BSSO team has great empathy for those affected. We will do our utmost to fill as many of the requests as we can, as fast as we can, with decent equipment, at the lowest possible cost.

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SPECIAL FLOOD RELIEF UPDATE

Yesterday, Governor Rendell announced that the Commonwealth would compensate local government entities for all of the non-FEMA covered expenses associated with flood recovery costs (25%). At the same time, additional counties were added to the list of those already eligible to receive Federal Public Assistance funds. Other counties, formerly designated to receive only individual assistance, were reclassified to receive public assistance.

JUST ADDED

Adams, Armstrong, Indiana
Perry, Sullivan, Tioga

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED

Bradford, Bucks, Columbia, Luzerne, Northampton,
Northumberland, Susquehanna, Wyoming

RECLASSIFIED

Berks, Carbon, Chester, Franklin,
Lackawanna, Lebanon, Monroe,
Montour, Schuylkill, and Wayne

Please check out this link to PEMA's Latest Disaster News for the [Governor's announcement](#).

FEMA has designated this event as disaster declaration #1649. FEMA's website also can offer some additional insights into the administration of relief for this event. Here is the website for the most recent amendment to the [disaster declaration](#). And this is the website for the latest [FEMA disaster summary](#).

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DRMS (Defense Reutilization Marketing Service) has provided us access to "various sundries" for flood relief (cots, blankets, construction equipment, fire-fighting equipment, medical supplies, water purification supplies, porta-johns, and school furniture). We have also been receiving offers of equipment from various Federal military and civilian agencies. Yesterday we were offered 3 high-lifts and a grader from Colorado Springs. This morning we received an offer for diesel tractors from New Jersey.

We have already provided some office equipment and furniture to the Wayne County EMA to refurbish their operations center. Bridgewater Township in Susquehanna County has also taken advantage of the large quantity of new aluminum culvert pipe in stock, along with some tools and a cabinet to replace those lost.

We are uncertain just how long that GSA and DRMS will hold open our higher priority allocation. Don't wait until it is too late. Given the recent announcement that 100% of the cost will be covered by FEMA and the Commonwealth, there is now no reason to delay.

State Surplus

Doings and Happenings

As we head into the summer months, our Division continues to pick up speed, gearing up for the Auction Blow Out in August. Several State Agencies will participate in the Blow Out including PennDOT, DPW, L&I, Corrections, Attorney General, and, of course, DGS. This auction is open to the general public and to municipalities.

Also, we recently acquired four more PennDOT Right of Way properties, which will result in the sale of several vehicles. I will forward more specific information as the dates and times for the sales are finalized.

On-Line and Physical Auctions

Completed auctions from March through mid-July for State Surplus have resulted in a gross revenue of approximately \$1,770,919 for our Commonwealth agencies.

Federal Surplus

Federal Surplus Helps Volunteers at the Pennsylvania Trolley Museum Build a Bigger & Better Museum!

By Scott R. Becker, Executive Director
Pennsylvania Trolley Museum

The [Pennsylvania Trolley Museum \(PTM\)](#) was formed over 53 years ago and has benefited greatly from the Pennsylvania's Federal Surplus Program for over 35 years. PTM provides a living history experience by offering rides to its visitors on beautifully restored streetcars on its two-mile long demonstration trolley line. The nonprofit museum has nearly fifty historic rail vehicles and its volunteers have a big job in keeping the museum's extensive infrastructure maintained. Their "can-do" attitude is greatly enhanced by the equipment the museum has been able to acquire from the Harrisburg warehouse. DGS personnel like John Kowalchick at the Harrisburg location has been extremely helpful in making us aware of new items that might be of interest as well as answering questions as to descriptions and condition.

Scott Becker, PTM's Executive Director, said that "the equipment we have acquired from the Federal Surplus program has had an incredible impact on our ability to make the most efficient use of our volunteers' time. With PTM's limited budget, it is unlikely that this equipment would have been acquired any other way." Often, volunteers pass the hat to fund the acquisition and transport of this equipment. Many of the machines PTM has acquired through the program are "diamonds in the rough" that need some volunteer effort to get them back in running condition. Old manuals are found and then parts are tracked down to make them useable again. Being a museum, PTM volunteers are not turned off by the age of the equipment in fact some of the equipment, like a Korean War vintage band saw are heavily built and have plenty of life left in them – "they just don't make them like this anymore." Other equipment has included rubber tired [cranes](#) with 5 & 8 ton lifting capacities, a 10 ton capacity [forklift](#), a industrial quality air compressor, many shop tools and machines, tool boxes, storage containers, and more than 50 filing cabinets for use in PTM's archives of rare trolley documents and photographs. The cranes and forklift have seen considerable use, whether it's picking up old trolley motors or laying new track.

The Pennsylvania Trolley Museum was founded to preserve and interpret Pennsylvania's Trolley Era and is a fun place to learn about Pennsylvania's past. PTM is where the visitor can "take a ride into the past" on streetcars that are in some cases over 80 years old. PTM has special summer hours of 10-4 Monday-Friday and 11-5 Saturday & Sunday. The Museum is located just 30 miles southwest of Pittsburgh and is easy to reach by taking I-79 to Exit 41 Race Track Road and simply follow the signs about 3 miles. You can learn more at its website at www.pa-trolley.org

Federal Surplus

or call 724-228-9256.

Auction Blowout!

As a reminder, the Federal Surplus Program will also be involved in the Auction Blowout scheduled for August 28, 2006. Approximately 100 lots of property that were not donated through our Federal Program will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. A variety of items will be available, ranging from food service equipment, to building supplies and much more. We ask that you watch future issues of the newsletter for further details of this major event, or call our toll free number, **1-800-235-1555**, and ask for our Marketing Director, **Mary Beth Enggren**.

Hermitage Reminder

The Hermitage Distribution Center will be open for business in Hermitage July 24-27, and August 21-24. We will be open for business in Hermitage Monday 4:30 PM—7:30 PM, Tuesday and Wednesday 8:30 AM—4:30 PM, and Thursday 8:30 AM—11:00 AM. Look for the latest additions to our inventory, and don't forget about the Green Dot Discount!

This Month's Featured Items

FIRE FIGHTING UNIT, Mfg. UNK, AFFF, SKID MOUNTED. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 4210-06-0473-001, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$200.00**.

SKID STEER, Mfg. REMTRON-DUTTON LAISON, SA-5000, 3 CYLINDER JOHN DEERE DIESEL ENGINE. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 3810-06-0489-004, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$2500.00**.

PIPE, Mfg. CRESTLINE, 10 INCH PVC 20 FEET LONG, SCHEDULE 40. **NEW** Condition, Only 11 Available, Item Number 4710-06-0468-005, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$50.00**.

BLAZER, Mfg. GENERAL MOTORS, CD-10516, 1986, 4 X 4, 6.2 LITER DIESEL, 62182 MILES, AUTOMATC (PARTS VEHICLE). POOR Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 2320-06-0486-003, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$500.00**.

FORKLIFT, Mfg. ALLIS-CHALMERS, ACP 60B, 1980, 6000 LB CAPACITY, 6 CYLINDER GAS, 2064 HOURS, PNEUMATIC TIRES. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 3930-06-0622-001, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$1500.00**.

ROLLER, Mfg. HYSTER, C530A, DETROIT DIESEL, 124 HOURS, 9120 GVW. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 3895-06-0622-002, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$4000.00**.

Federal Surplus

SWEEPER, Mfg. BILLY GOAT, QUIET VAC, 8 HP HONDA GAS ENGINE. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 3750-06-0645-005, HERMITAGE WHSE, Service Charge **\$250.00**.

PRESSURE WASHER, Mfg. LANDA, VHW-2-1100, GOLD SERIES, 1000 PSI, 2.0 GPM, 225 F MAX TEMP. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 4940-06-0645-006, HERMITAGE WHSE, Service Charge **\$350.00**.

PLOW, Mfg. GRAVELY, 5665, COMMERCIAL, 48" BLADE, KOHLER ENGINE. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 3750-06-0645-002, HERMITAGE WHSE, Service Charge **\$350.00**.

LAPTOP, Mfg. IBM, T23, PENTIUM III, 1.00 / 1.13 GHZ, 20 OR 30 GIG HARD DRIVE. GOOD Condition, Only 46 Available, Item Number 7010-06-0598-001, HBG - HER WHSE, Service Charge **\$175.00**.

TRUCK, Mfg. GENERAL MOTORS, GMC 7000, 1987, 7.0 LITER V-8, 4031 MILES, 50000 GVW, FULLER 10 SPEED TRANSMISSION. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 2320-06-0428-001, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$5500.00**.

Equipment Recently Acquired by Your Neighbors...

Pennsylvania Department of Corrections (Cumberland County), acquired a frame section tent to be used to keep piles of road salt dry in bad weather. The tent, originally valued at 6,515.00 by the Federal government, was acquired for a service charge of only \$62.00. Department officials estimate a cost savings to Commonwealth of Pennsylvania taxpayers of approximately \$3,257.00.

Neshannock Township Volunteer Fire Company (Lawrence County) acquired two Cushman vehicles for use in their recreation park. These vehicles, originally valued at \$8,166.00 by the Federal government, were acquired for a service charge of only \$175.00. Fire Department officials estimate a cost savings to their taxpayers of approximately \$15,000.

Bethesda Children's Home (Crawford County), acquired a motor vehicle to be used to transport their clients to doctor and dentist appointments. The vehicle, originally valued at \$11,000.00 by the Federal government, was acquired for a service charge of only \$1,000.00. The Home officials estimate a cost savings to their clients of approximately \$8,000.00.

Mercersburg Borough (Franklin County) acquired an LCD Projector to complete a project on the water and sewer facilities in the Borough, and demonstrate the results to the Board meeting. The projector, originally valued at \$6,178.00 by the Federal Government, was acquired for a service charge of only \$250.00. Borough officials estimate a cost savings to their taxpayers of approximately \$800.00.

Law Enforcement

1033 Excess Property

Property Available Now for Law Enforcement

LAPTOP, Mfg. Dell, Model PPX, Pentium III with CD-ROM, no power adapter. Good condition, only 1 available, service charge is only **\$50.00**.

FUEL CAN, Mfg. unk, 5 gallon capacity, plastic, threaded lid. Good condition, several available, service charge is only **\$3.00**.

VEST, Mfg. Protective Armor International, survival vest. Good condition, several available, service charge is only **\$5.00**.

Items Acquired by Your Neighbors...

Pennsylvania Department of Corrections (Cumberland County) acquired a platform boom life to use for maintenance and repair on their buildings and lights poles. This item, originally valued at \$50,000 by the Federal Government, was acquired for a service charge of only \$500.00. Department officials estimate a cost savings to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania taxpayers of approximately \$30,000.00.

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Posted on Mon, Jul. 10, 2006

Jet contraband: Travelers' losses, Pa. coffers' gains

Surrendered items are auctioned.

By Dan Kelly
Associated Press

READING - If what happens in Pennsylvania stays in Pennsylvania, it may be because it was surrendered at an airport.

And, unlike in Las Vegas, where the tourism slogan is "What happens here, stays here," if you try to take your secret on the flight home from Pennsylvania, it might end up posted on eBay, the Internet auction site, for the whole world to see.

Items including fur-lined handcuffs, a cat-o'-nine-tails, machetes and switchblades have been surrendered by people caught trying to take them onto airplanes in carry-on luggage, said Edward L. Myslewicz, a spokesman for the state Department of General Services.

"There certainly is an element of surprise at what folks think they can get onto an airplane," he said.

Myslewicz said most of the items were not considered confiscated in the legal sense because their owners typically surrendered them voluntarily, although under threat of arrest, which might make some people challenge the notion of volunteerism being involved.

Whether dangerous or just kinky, the abandoned materials have brought in more than \$250,000 to the state's general fund since the state started selling them on eBay in June 2004, Myslewicz said.

That year, the federal Transportation Security Administration began offering surrendered items at airports to the states in which they were taken.

If those states didn't want the materials, they were offered to other states or were kept and auctioned by the TSA.

Pennsylvania accepts surrendered items from airports in Harrisburg, Allentown and Philadelphia, as well as from airports in New York City; Syracuse, N.Y.; Newark, N.J.; and Cleveland.

Oddly enough, Pittsburgh's airport sends its abandoned items to Maryland, Myslewicz said. He said it was unclear how Maryland trumped Pennsylvania for Pittsburgh's business, but added that General Services still hoped to win over the Steel City.

The department is working with other airports in Pennsylvania to begin accepting surrendered items at those locations.

Each month, truckloads of surrendered, found or abandoned materials are trucked to a warehouse in suburban Harrisburg to be sorted and prepared for sale on the Internet, Myslewicz said.

"I think the machete was the biggest surprise, but then there also are the fur-lined handcuffs and other personal items," he said. "There are cap guns and nunchakus.

"There was a 6-foot artificial palm tree, but that was sold on eBay. You really have to see this stuff for yourself."

General Services has conducted auctions at its warehouse on occasion, but the department has found it is more profitable to offer items such as toenail clippers, scissors, Swiss Army knives, and Leatherman tools in large lots over the Internet, he said.

"We might be able to get 50 cents for a toenail clipper sold individually but \$30 to \$50 for a large batch of them," Myslewicz said.

General Services employees also have begun creating packages of hunting, gardening and sports gear by sorting through

55-gallon drums of surrendered goods and grouping similar items together.

Another plus of the state's Internet business venture: It's staffed by state employees who had been injured on other state jobs and would otherwise be at home collecting workers' compensation.

"Every day, we have three to six people working in the warehouse sorting, packaging and photographing these items for sale on eBay," Myslewicz said. He credited Gov. Rendell for coming up with the program and with using injured workers to staff it.

"Gov. Rendell wants us to look at all ways within our means to save taxpayers money," Myslewicz said.

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Auction Blow Out!

PA Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg
August 28—August 31, 2006

August 28 Federal Surplus Property

Federal Surplus
Preliminary Equipment List

Office Furniture, Clothing,
Office Equipment, Vehicle
Parts, Shop & Trade Equip-
ment, Camping Supplies,
and much more!

Preview: 8:00 AM
Auction: 9:00 AM
Auctioneer: GSA

General Services
Administration

Terms: All items as-is

August 29 PennDot and Turnpike Commission Heavy Equipment

PennDot
Preliminary Equipment List

Turnpike Commission
Preliminary Equipment List

Preview: 8:00 AM—2:00 PM
Monday
8:00 AM Tues

Auction: 9:00 AM
Auctioneer: Asset Auctions
www.asset-auctions.com

Terms: All items as-is

August 30 Department of General Services Vehicle Management

Vehicle Management
Preliminary Equipment List

Sedans, Police Vehicles,
Vans, Light Duty Trucks, Box
Trucks, and much more!

Preview: 8:00 AM—2:00 PM
Mon & Tues
8:00 AM—9:00 AM
Wednesday

Auction: 9:00 AM
Auctioneer: Keystone Auto
www.keystone-auction.com

Terms: [Click Here for Terms](#)

August 31 State Surplus And Attorney General Property

Attorney General
Preliminary Equipment List

Jewelry, Office Furniture,
Office Equipment, Restau-
rant Equipment, and much
more!

Preview: 8:00 AM—2:00 PM
Mon thru Wed
8:00 AM—9:00 AM
Thursday

Auction: 9:00 AM
Auctioneer: Ziegler Auction
www.zieglerauction.com

Terms: All items as-is



Federal Surplus Property Program Wants List Request Form

Mail or fax request to:
Department of General Services
Federal Surplus Property Program
PO Box 1365
2221 Forster Street
Harrisburg, PA 17105
Fax (717) 772-2491

Name of Donee Organization: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Contact Person: _____

Description & Quantity of Items:

Requested Date (Today's Date): _____

*Signature of Authorized Representative: _____

*All requests must be signed by an authorized representative from your organization as recognized by the Federal Surplus Property Program.

The Needs List is strictly for items that are in high demand, but low supply through the Federal Surplus Property Program. **Items such as: Heavy Equipment, Vehicles, Generators, Pumps, Laboratory Equipment**, etc...Items that would **NOT** be included on this list include: furniture, hand tools, clothing, office equipment, etc...

All requests are valid for a period of a year, after that time, a new request must be submitted.



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Governor Rendell says Commonwealth will Pay the Full 25-Percent Non-Federal Share to Support Local Flood Repair

16 Counties Have Been Added To The Federal Declaration For Public Assistance

HARRISBURG – Governor Edward G. Rendell today announced that the commonwealth has committed to provide the entire 25 percent of the required state/local share of public assistance funding to help repair local and municipal damage caused by the recent floods. In most previous disasters, the 25-percent requirement has been divided so that the state covered 22 percent and local governments covered 3 percent of the costs.

Also today, the federal government expanded Pennsylvania's public assistance declaration to include Adams, Armstrong, Berks, Carbon, Chester, Franklin, Indiana, Lackawanna, Lebanon, Monroe, Montour, Perry, Schuylkill, Sullivan, Tioga and Wayne counties. Bradford, Bucks, Columbia, Luzerne, Northampton, Northumberland, Susquehanna, and Wyoming had previously been designated through an expedited request.

"Public assistance funding administered through PEMA will enable municipalities that suffered damages to infrastructure from the late-June flooding make needed repairs," said Governor Rendell. "In addition, paying the entire 25-percent, non-federal share will save local communities and governments that continuously struggle with everyday budgets anywhere from \$2 million to \$5 million."

The public assistance program provides cost reimbursement aid to local governments and certain private, non-profit agencies, educational institutions, utilities, emergency services, medical facilities, custodial care facilities and others that provide health and safety services of a governmental nature.

The federal designation applies for public assistance categories A through G, which qualifies each county to receive funding for emergency work, such as debris removal and emergency protective measures. The counties can also apply for reimbursement for permanent work including repairs to roads and bridges, water control facilities, buildings and equipment, utilities and parks and recreation facilities.

Commonwealth officials will soon conduct applicant briefings in those counties designated for public assistance. The sessions will provide a wealth of information to potential applicants about the process of applying for public assistance.

Governor Rendell recognized the hard work and dedication of local and state officials, volunteers and county personnel, and PEMA staff who were able to document the extent of loss that was necessary to secure the federal funding.

In addition to today's declaration of public assistance, 22 Pennsylvania counties were previously approved for federal "individual assistance."

Additional flood safety information and weather updates can be found at www.paflooding.state.pa.us.

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The Rendell Administration is committed to creating a first-rate public education system, protecting our most vulnerable citizens and continuing economic investment to support our communities and businesses. To find out more about Governor Rendell's initiatives and to sign up for his weekly newsletter, visit his Web site at: www.governor.state.pa.us

For more information contact:

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1649-DR]

Pennsylvania; Amendment No. 7 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (FEMA-1649-DR), dated June 30, 2006, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 18, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of June 30, 2006:

Adams, Armstrong, Indiana, Perry, Sullivan, and Tioga Counties for Public Assistance.

Berks, Carbon, Chester, Franklin, Lackawanna, Lebanon, Monroe, Montour, Schuylkill, and Wayne Counties for Public Assistance (already designated for Individual Assistance).

Bradford, Bucks, Columbia, Luzerne, Northampton, Northumberland, Susquehanna, and Wyoming Counties for Public Assistance [Categories C-G] (already designated for Individual Assistance and debris removal and emergency protective measures [Categories A and B] under the Public Assistance program, including direct Federal Assistance).

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individuals and Households Program-Other Needs, 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

/s/

R. David Paulison,
Under Secretary for Federal Emergency Management
and
Director of FEMA.

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Designated Counties for Pennsylvania Severe Storms, Flooding, and Mudslides

Disaster Summary For FEMA-1649-DR, Pennsylvania

Declaration Date: June 30 , 2006

Incident Type: Severe Storms, Flooding, and Mudslides

Incident Period: June 23, 2006, and continuing

Individual Assistance

(Assistance to individuals and households):

Berks, Bradford, Carbon, Chester, Dauphin, Franklin, Lackawanna, Lancaster, Lebanon, Luzerne, Monroe, Montgomery, Montour, Pike, Schuylkill, Susquehanna, Wayne and Wyoming counties.

Public Assistance

(Assistance to State and local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations for emergency work and the repair or replacement of disaster-damaged facilities):

Bradford, Bucks, Columbia, Luzerne, Northampton, Northumberland, Pike, Susquehanna, and Wyoming Counties for debris removal and emergency protective measures, including direct Federal assistance. For a period of up to 72 hours, assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures, including direct Federal assistance, will be provided at 100 percent of the total eligible costs.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

(Assistance to State and local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations for actions taken to prevent or reduce long term risk to life and property from natural hazards):

All counties in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Other:

Additional designations may be made at a later date after further evaluation.

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