

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2017-43

Declaring Roosevelt County, New Mexico a Disaster as a Result of 2017 Floods, Tornadic Activity, and Wind Events

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular meeting on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in Commission Chambers at the Roosevelt County Courthouse, 109 West First Street, Portales, New Mexico 88130; and,

WHEREAS, Roosevelt County has suffered severe damage caused by severe winds, tornadic activity, rain and flooding; the Roosevelt County Commission resolves to seek State Disaster Assistance concerning the emergency/disaster conditions created by the 2017 floods, tornadic activity and wind events; and

WHEREAS, extensive damage due to flooding was caused to over sixty miles of County Maintained Roads. Extreme winds and tornadic activity caused damage to numerous power poles maintained by the Roosevelt County Electric Cooperative resulting in loss of power to residents in the affected area approximately 18 square miles as far north as West 18th Street and Kilgore Streets in Portales, as far south as midpoint between S RR 12 and S RR 11, as far west at S RR U, and as far east as S RR P.

WHEREAS, the damage threatens the safety, health, welfare and well-being of citizens and the economic functions of the County of Roosevelt. School districts have experienced disrupted school bus routes. Local residents suffered extensive property damage, agriculturalists and businesses were negatively impacted and the County as a whole has suffered economic hardship and loss of a significant magnitude as a result of the disaster/emergency created by the 2017 floods, tornadic activity, and wind events; and

WHEREAS, all local available public and private resources and forces committed to mitigate and alleviate the damage are deemed insufficient to cope with the resulting situation, initiate repairs, and meet restoration requirements; and

WHEREAS, the effects of the 2017 floods, tornadic activity and wind events are continuing to be felt within the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners declares a disaster/emergency resulting from the 2017 floods, tornadic activity and wind events and formally requests State Disaster Assistance for Roosevelt County and its citizens.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 15th day of August, 2017.

ATTEST:

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Approximant Number base on Map (Roosevelt County Damage Area and Flooding)

Damage Path Mileage approx.: 18.06 Miles

Damage Path Acreage approx. 11,561.49 Acres

Flooded area zone Mileage Approx. : 50.32846 Miles

Flooded Area Zone Acreage Approx.: 166,866.10856972 Acres



