



# STATE OF MINNESOTA

## Office of Governor Mark Dayton

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August 30, 2016

Mr. Joe Kelly  
Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management  
Minnesota Department of Public Safety  
445 Minnesota Street, Suite #223  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Dear Director Kelly:

Based upon supporting documents provided to me by the Department of Public Safety-Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, I have determined that damage in certain areas of Aitkin, Benton, Carlton, Crow Wing, Kanabec, Meeker, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Pine, and Traverse counties resulting from severe thunderstorms, high winds, tornadoes, and flooding during the period July 9-11, 2016, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant the use of the State Public Disaster Assistance fund, as described under Minn. Stat. §12B.

In order to provide state public disaster assistance, I hereby designate you as my authorized representative so that you may:

- allocate such amounts as you find necessary for state disaster assistance from funds available for these purposes;
- provide public assistance in the designated area; and
- provide additional assistance if requested by a local government; and warranted by the results of further damage assessments, to the extent allowable under Minn. Stat. §12B.

Sincerely,

Mark Dayton  
Governor

cc: Commissioner Ramona Dohman, Minnesota Department of Public Safety  
Commissioner Myron Frans, Minnesota Department of Management and Budget  
J. Mark Wedel, Aitkin County Board Chair  
Nathan Burkett, Aitkin County Administrator  
Sheriff Scott Turner, Aitkin County Emergency Management Director  
Spencer Buerkle, Benton County Board Chair  
Montgomery Headley, Benton County Administrator  
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John Bowen, Crow Wing County Emergency Management Director  
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Pat Christopherson, Kanabec County Coordinator  
Kathy Burski, Kanabec County Emergency Management Director  
Dale Fenrich, Meeker County Board Chair  
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Dan Miller, Meeker County Emergency Management Director  
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Al Fjerstad, Mille Lacs County Emergency Management Director  
Randy H. Winscher, Morrison County Board Chair  
Deb Gruber, Morrison County Administrator  
Sheriff Shawn Larsen, Morrison County Emergency Management Director  
Curt Rossow, Pine County Board Chair  
David Minke, Pine County Administrator  
Sheriff Jeffrey Nelson, Pine County Emergency Management Director  
Kevin Leininger, Traverse County Board Chair  
Rhonda Braaten-Antrim, Traverse County Coordinator  
Lynn Siegel, Traverse County Emergency Management Director