



FEMA

February 11, 2024

The Honorable Maura T. Healey
Governor of Massachusetts
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Governor Healey:

This is in response to your December 11, 2023, request for a major disaster declaration for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a result of severe storms and flooding during the period of September 11-13, 2023. You specifically requested Individual Assistance for two counties, Public Assistance for two counties, and Hazard Mitigation for the entire commonwealth.

Based on our review of all of the information available, it has been determined that the damage from this event was not of such severity and magnitude as to be beyond the capabilities of the state, affected local governments, and voluntary agencies. Accordingly, we have determined that supplemental federal assistance is not necessary. Therefore, I must inform you that your request for a major disaster declaration is denied.

FEMA's Region I Regional Administrator will communicate any additional resources that may be available through Other Federal Agencies and/or volunteer organizations to address unmet needs for survivor assistance. In addition, FEMA will coordinate with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to identify additional damage information to support an appeal if necessary.

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 the President through Lori A. Ehrlich, Regional Administrator, FEMA Region I, located at 220 Binney Street, 7th Floor, Cambridge, MA 02142.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Deanne Criswell".

Deanne Criswell
Administrator