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## **News Release**

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DURHAM, N.C. – FEMA and the State of North Carolina are approving nearly \$7.6 million to reimburse Hurricane Florence-related repairs to the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation.

The cooperative provides electrical service to Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus and Robeson counties, which were included in the presidential disaster declaration following Hurricane Florence.

High winds, rain and flooding caused by the hurricane damaged overhead utility poles, lines and transformers in multiple counties.

FEMA's Public Assistance program provides grants for state and local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations to reimburse the cost of debris removal, emergency protective measures and permanent repair work.



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Public Assistance is a cost-sharing program. FEMA reimburses applicants at least 75 percent of eligible costs, and the remaining 25 percent is covered by the state of North Carolina. FEMA's share for this project is nearly \$5.7 million and the state's is \$1.9 million.

The federal portion is paid directly to the state which disburses to the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation.

For more information on North Carolina's recovery from Hurricane Florence, visit [ncdps.gov/Florence](https://ncdps.gov/Florence) and [FEMA.gov/Disaster/4393](https://FEMA.gov/Disaster/4393). Follow us on Twitter: [@NCEmergency](https://twitter.com/NCEmergency) and [@FEMARegion4](https://twitter.com/FEMARegion4).

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