FRANKFORT, Ky. – FEMA has approved $2,409,846 to reimburse Marshall County for expenses paid for the collection and proper disposal of storm debris after the Dec. 10-11, 2021, tornadoes.

Marshall County hired a contractor to remove and dispose of vegetative debris between Dec. 27 and Jan. 25. The work and costs associated with the Marshall County debris removal project include expenses for labor, equipment, material and contract costs.

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

Because of the magnitude of damage from the tornadoes, President Biden in January authorized a cost share adjustment to 100% federal funding for debris removal for a 30-day period of the commonwealth’s choosing (Dec. 27 – Jan. 25).

FEMA’s award is paid directly to the commonwealth to disburse to agencies, local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations that incurred costs.