

# Additional \$28 Million Approved to Support Recovery

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**ASHEVILLE, N.C.** – FEMA continues to support the state of North Carolina as it leads community cleanup and restores infrastructure damaged by Tropical Storm Helene and other disasters.

On Aug. 24, [Secretary Noem announced an additional \\$28 million in reimbursement funds for North Carolina disaster recovery](#). This brings the total in August alone to \$124 million in recovery reimbursements to the state.

Here are some of the FEMA grants obligated to the state and communities:

- **\$14 million** for emergency protective actions taken by approximately 40 North Carolina communities following Helene.
- **\$4.3 million** for repairs to public parks and recreational facilities in Avery, Buncombe and Haywood counties and other communities.
- **\$3.6 million** for public road and bridge repairs.
- **\$3 million** for the repair or replacement of essential utilities including water treatment plants, water lines, and electrical systems.
- **\$2.8 million** for local debris removal efforts in Buncombe County, Beech Mountain and other communities.

FEMA is reimbursing these costs at no less than a 75% federal share through its Public Assistance Program which provides funds for state and local governments response and recovery work. Helene costs are funded at no less than 90%. To date, more than \$656 million has been provided to the state for road repair, debris removal, critical infrastructure repair and more. Since Jan. 20, 2025, more than \$347 million in Public Assistance reimbursements has been approved to support the recovery efforts in North Carolina.

