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GOVERNOR STRICKLAND REQUESTS FEDERAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE FOR IMPACTED COMMUNITIES

(COLUMBUS)— Today Governor Ted Strickland sent a letter to President Obama requesting a major disaster declaration for three Ohio counties that received damage from severe tornados and high winds that began June 5, 2010.

Governor Strickland's request is based on damage assessments performed by joint teams of local officials, the Ohio Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). These experts estimated the scope of damage throughout Fulton, Ottawa and Wood counties by reviewing and surveying damage that impacted homes and infrastructure where possible.

If this request is approved, disaster assistance loans and grants would be available to those eligible and governmental entities for debris removal, emergency protective measures and public infrastructure repairs.

To view the entire letter, visit the Ohio EMA website at www.ema.ohio.gov.

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