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COLUMBIA, S.C. (Wednesday, October 7, 2015, 5:30 p.m.) – The Federal Emergency Management Agency has amended its disaster declaration for the recent flooding in order to make survivors in Calhoun, Darlington, Florence, Kershaw and Lee counties eligible for Individual Assistance.

Survivors who sustained losses in the designated counties can apply for assistance by registering online at DisasterAssistance.gov or by calling 800-621-3362. Disaster assistance applicants who are deaf or hard of hearing should call 800-462-7585 (TTY); those who use Video Relay Service may call 800-621-3362. The toll-free telephone numbers will operate 24 hours a day until further notice.

Assistance can include money for temporary rental assistance and essential home repairs for primary homes, low-cost loans to cover uninsured property losses, and other programs to help survivors recover from the effects of the disaster.

Berkeley, Charleston, Clarendon, Dorchester, Georgetown, Horry, Lexington, Orangeburg, Richland, Sumter and Williamsburg counties were previously designated for Individual Assistance.

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