



# Tony Evers

Office of the Governor | State of Wisconsin

June 22, 2026

Kem R. Fleming, Director  
Field Operations and Disaster Recovery  
Office of Disaster Recovery and Resilience  
U.S. Small Business Administration  
101 Marietta Street NW, Suite 700  
Atlanta, GA 30303-2725

Dear Mr. Fleming,

Marathon, Rock, Vernon, and Waupaca counties suffered significant damage to individual homes and businesses from the incident which occurred between April 13-23, 2026.

Based on joint damage assessments conducted by SBA, FEMA, state, county and local staff, the damage exceeds the Small Business Administration's criteria of at least 25 homes (primary residences) and/or businesses with uninsured losses of 40 percent or more of their estimated fair replacement value, thereby qualifying for disaster assistance. The preliminary damage assessment has been provided to your Agency by the SBA Damage Verification Team.

In accordance with Title 13 C.F.R. Part 123.3, I request SBA declare a Rapid Disaster Declaration in the Marathon, Rock, Vernon, and Waupaca counties disaster area and make low interest loans available to the affected property owners and businesses. On May 22, 2026, the state of Wisconsin requested a Presidential Declaration in Marathon, Rock, Vernon, and Waupaca counties and we are currently awaiting FEMA's decision.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. If you need additional information, please contact Robby Stoikes, Recovery Planning and Support Supervisor at 608-242-3226 or [Robert.stoikes@widma.gov](mailto:Robert.stoikes@widma.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Tony Evers'.

Tony Evers  
Governor