

**GREENE COUNTY, INDIANA
DISASTER EMERGENCY DECLARATION**

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WHEREAS, Indiana Code 10-14-3-29 provides that the principal executive officer of a political subdivision may declare a local disaster emergency; and

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 10-14-3-1 defines "disaster" to mean an occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, loss of life or property resulting from any natural phenomenon or human act" and includes losses resulting or anticipated to result from tornado; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2025, a tornado of as yet undetermined force passed through the county from the west border to the east border; and

WHEREAS, the severity of damage across the county is still being determined; and

WHEREAS, known damages include damaged or destroyed homes, destroyed farm buildings and equipment, destroyed vehicles, road closures, and lost life; and

WHEREAS, the extent of the damage is expected to be in the millions of dollars; and

WHEREAS, the damages have affected and will continue to affect more than one community for days or weeks to come, including but not limited to Linton, Newberry, and Worthington where homes were leveled,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Nathan L. Abrams, President of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Greene, Indiana, declare that a state of emergency exists in Greene County, Indiana, for the next seven (7) days, unless continued or renewed by or with consent of the Board of Commissioners. I order and direct the Director of the Greene County, Indiana, Emergency Management Agency to seek the support of such federal, state, and other agencies as are needed to provide assistance to those citizens of County damaged or injured and to provide, to the extent possible, emergency services to those citizens impacted by the severe weather conditions and tornado that crossed the county on May 16, 2025.

This declaration is effective as of 9:10 PM EDT on May 16, 2025, and shall expire on May 23, 2025, at 11:59 PM unless the Board of Commissioners consents to extending the deadline.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and the seal of the Commissioners of Greene County, Indiana, on this 17th day of May, 2025.

Nathan L. Abrams

Nathan L. Abrams, President
Board of Commissioners of the
County of Greene, Indiana