

October 18, 2024

Important Notice: Expanded List of Counties Eligible for Interest Relief – Hurricane Helene

Background

On October 11, 2024, the Department [announced](#) interest relief for specific taxpayers located in counties declared a major disaster by the President of the United States under the Stafford Act (P.L. 93-288) as a result of Hurricane Helene and Nash County (collectively “Disaster Counties”).¹ This notice announces additional Disaster Counties.

Expansion of Disaster Counties

On October 15, 2024, [FEMA](#) added twelve² counties to the list of North Carolina counties adversely affected by Hurricane Helene. As a result, these counties are Disaster Counties for purposes of the interest relief [announced](#) on October 11, 2024.

As of October 18, 2024, the following counties in North Carolina are Disaster Counties:

Alexander	Clay	Lincoln	Stanly
Alleghany	Cleveland	Macon	Surry
Ashe	Forsyth	Madison	Swain
Avery	Gaston	McDowell	Transylvania
Buncombe	Graham	Mecklenburg	Union
Burke	Haywood	Mitchell	Watauga
Cabarrus	Henderson	Nash	Wilkes
Caldwell	Iredell	Polk	Yadkin
Catawba	Jackson	Rowan	Yancey
Cherokee	Lee	Rutherford	

Additional Information

The Department’s website has a page dedicated to [Hurricane Helene tax relief](#). The page includes [frequently asked questions](#). Any taxpayer that does not have electronic access to this information can call the Department for assistance.

¹ See [Session Law 2024-51](#), s. 13.1.

² Nash County was treated as a disaster county under State law but is now included in major disaster declaration. As a result, the number of counties eligible for interest relief increased by eleven.

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Assistance

If you have any questions about this notice, you may call the Department's Customer Service line at 1-877-252-3052 (7:00 am until 4:30 pm Eastern Time, Monday through Friday), or write to Customer Service, PO Box 1168, Raleigh, NC 27602-1168.

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