

Michaud Praises Presidentâ€™s Disaster Declaration for Maine

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According to the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is now authorized to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures to save lives and to protect property and public health and safety, or to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the designated areas.

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