

Tropical Storm Chantal

Tropical Storm Chantal made landfall on July 6, 2025, bringing significant rainfall, localized flooding, and widespread damage to private agricultural access roads and farm infrastructure across the affected counties. Several districts reported emergency access issues, damaged farm roads, and related repairs needed to restore safe access for producers. Because USDA programs do not cover these types of repairs, districts have requested state assistance through the Agricultural Cost Share Program (ACSP). The following Commission actions are necessary to support eligible districts and provide allocation of recovery funds now that Tropical Storm Chantal has been added as an eligible storm event.

Commission Actions Needed**1. Approval of Eligible Best Management Practices**

The Commission is asked to approve the following BMPs for use in ACSP disaster-related recovery. These practices can be used fund projects from the date of the storm event (7/6/2025) :

- [Emergency Access Restoration](#)
- [Non-field Farm Road Repair](#)

2. Delegation of Allocation Authority to the Division Director

The Commission is requested to delegate temporary authority to the Division Director to approve allocations as submitted by districts. This will allow districts to receive support quickly and reduce administrative delays.

Allocations would follow these parameters:

- Allocations will be based on district needs submitted through the online request form.
- Allocation decisions will be issued weekly on Mondays.
- Allocation reports will be presented at each Commission meeting.

Eligible districts include those within counties covered by the FEMA major disaster declaration related to Tropical Storm Chantal: Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Durham, Moore, and Orange.