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INSURANCE EXPERTS ANSWER QUESTIONS FOLLOWING DISASTER

DENVER -Residents of Larimer and Weld counties who suffered damage to their homes or businesses as a result of the May 22 severe storms and tornadoes can get their insurance questions answered by the Colorado Division of Insurance (DOI). The DOI staff will be on hand at the Disaster Recovery Center in Windsor to help people with insurance concerns on the following days and times:

- Tuesday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon
- Thursday afternoons from 3 to 7 p.m.

Staff will continue this schedule for the next two weeks, then assess whether to continue, based on community need.

The Disaster Recovery Center is located at:

Windsor High School Gymnasium
1100 W. Main St.
Windsor, CO 80550

Consumers may also call the Division of Insurance for assistance at **(303) 894-7490** (push option 3 for assistance) or **(800) 930-3745** – Toll Free (outside Denver).

In addition to the Colorado Division of Insurance, representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the U.S. Small Business Administration, the United Way, and other volunteer agencies will continue to provide information and referrals for disaster assistance from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

How to Apply for FEMA Assistance:

Larimer and Weld county residents and business owners can begin the disaster application process by registering online at www.fema.gov or by calling **1-800-621-FEMA (3362)** or **1-800-462-7585 (TTY) for the hearing and speech impaired**. The toll-free telephone numbers

are available from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Applicants registering for aid should be prepared to provide basic information including (name, permanent address, phone number) insurance coverage and any other information to help substantiate losses.

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The Colorado Division of Emergency Management (CDEM), within the Department of Local Affairs, is the state's emergency management agency. The agency works to identify and lessen the effects of emergencies, disasters and threats to Colorado by developing effective prevention, preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery actions for all disasters and emergencies.

FEMA coordinates the federal government's role in preparing for, preventing, mitigating the effects of, responding to, and recovering from all domestic disasters, whether natural or man-made, including acts of terrorism.

SBA is the federal government's primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged private property. SBA helps homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes, and private non-profit organizations fund repairs or rebuilding efforts, and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. These disaster loans cover uninsured and uncompensated losses and do not duplicate benefits of other agencies or organizations.

The Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) is dedicated to preserving the integrity of the marketplace and is committed to promoting a fair and competitive business environment in Colorado. Consumer protection is our mission. DORA's Division of Insurance protects consumer rights and educates consumers to make informed decisions about insurance. DOI regulates the Colorado insurance industry fairly to promote a competitive business environment.

Editors: For more information on Colorado disaster recovery, visit www.fema.gov or <http://dola.colorado.gov>.