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Instructions for Determining Priority 5: Disaster Declaration

To achieve Priority 5 (35 ILCS 31/20(a)(5)), the structure must be located in an area declared under the federal Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act as an Emergency Declaration (pursuant to Title V of the Act) or Major Disaster Declaration (pursuant to Title IV of the Act). The declaration must be no older than 3 years at the time of application. As a result of the statewide Emergency Declaration on March 13, 2020¹, and the statewide Major Disaster Declaration on March 26, 2020², **every building in Illinois qualifies for Priority 5 for application Round 1, 2022.**

You do not need to take any action to assert that your project meets Priority 5. Part S-3 application form includes the assertion by default.

¹Source: <https://www.fema.gov/disaster/3435>

²Source: <https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4489>