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December 5, 2025

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FEMA-DR-4877-MO
PA-ID 510-65000-00

RE: 1st Extension Request

Dear Mr. Nicks:

In response to your need for an extension of projects which are associated with FEMA-DR-4877-MO, declared June 9th, 2025, SEMA is approving a Project Performance Period Extension of the projects indicated below.

In accordance with 44 CFR 206.204 Project Performance, and to allow for completion of work as outlined in the projects, SEMA approves the new Period of Performance completion deadlines as indicated below:

Project # (PN)	Category	Performance Period	New Performance Deadline
958816	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
958917	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
958921	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
958924	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
959274	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
960955	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
962690	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
962691	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
962694	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
962696	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
962699	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
962700	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
962702	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
962705	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
962808	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
062859	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026

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963554	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
963555	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
963599	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
963602	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
963604	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
964226	B	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
966096	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
966097	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026
966099	A	12-09-2025	06-09-2026

Per 44 CFR 206.204 (c)(2)(ii), extenuating circumstances for this request include, but are not limited to, the size and scope of the declared disaster event, delays in the approval and obligation of projects by FEMA, delays due to a six-week federal government shutdown, and delays in the completion of the work due to contractor, labor, and material availabilities.

We encourage you to complete the work prior to the deadline, if possible. Any further extension requests should be submitted to this office at least two weeks prior to the expiration of the completion deadline as they must be submitted to FEMA for approval beyond the new performance deadline listed above. The request should include an explanation as to why the work has not yet been completed and a new projected completion date.

For additional assistance, please contact Matthew Boley by telephone at (573) 526-9131 or by email at matthew.boleym@sema.dps.mo.gov.

Sincerely,



Ronald C. Broxton, Manager
Recovery Division

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Enclosures



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October 23, 2025

To: James Remillard, Agency Director
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From: Cara Spencer
Mayor, City of St. Louis

Julian Nicks
Chief Recovery Officer, Office of Mayor Cara Spencer, City of St. Louis

Subject: Request for Emergency Work Time Extension – Disaster DR-4877-MO

Dear Ron,

On behalf of the City of St. Louis, I am writing to formally request an extension of the Emergency Work Period of Performance (POP) under the FEMA Public Assistance (PA) Program for Disaster DR-4877-MO, declared on June 9, 2025, following the tornado incident that occurred on May 16, 2025.

This request is submitted in accordance with the provisions outlined in the FEMA Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide (PAPPG) Version 5.0¹, effective January 6, 2025, and applicable to this declared event. It is understood and acknowledged that generally

¹ PAPPG Version 5, Chapter 7: Emergency Work, Section XI (page 115-116)

the deadline to complete emergency work, designated as Category A and B in the FEMA PA Program, is six months from the declaration date, which is currently December 9, 2025.

However, the State, as the authorized recipient, may authorize a 6-month extension of time to conduct these activities in accordance with FEMA's *Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide V5 Chapter 11 Project Monitoring and Amendments, Section II. Work Completion Deadlines*, and 44 C.F.R. § 206.204(c)(2)(ii), *Project Performance, Time Limitation for Emergency Work, Exceptions*. The City of St. Louis respectfully requests a 6-month extension of the DR 4877 Category A and B projects per the above guidance, from December 9, 2025, to June 9, 2026.

Background and Justification

Due to the scale and complexity of the May 16 tornado, the City of St. Louis faces significant recovery challenges. After the event, the City immediately commenced emergency work and promptly undertook actions to address threats to life, public health and safety, and improved property. As is not unusual with disaster events, the scale of devastation often leads to additional time being needed to complete these life and property saving activities. Additionally, there have been several unforeseen and extenuating circumstances that have impeded the City's ability to complete all eligible emergency activities within the standard six-month POP.

- Private Property Debris Removal (PPDR) operations have been delayed while it was determined who would perform the work (City of St. Louis County (St. Louis), State of Missouri, or U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)). This has been resolved by way of the announcement by Governor Kehoe on September 18, 2025, the State will take on debris removal and demolition, St. Louis responsible for the Right of Entry and Assessments, and USACE for Technical Assistance. This ROE/HSA work began on October 16, 2025 and has an initial period of performance of six (6) months with the start date of PPDR by the State not yet determined.
- To date the City estimates that they have cleared over 400,000 CY of vegetative and 50,000 CY of C&D debris from the public right-of-way through City personnel, volunteers, and contracted labor. Still, there remains significant debris requiring removal from both public and private property. This has experienced delays as well. In August 2025, due to complications with a procured right-of-way contract, that agreement had to be terminated and rebid, causing a disruption / delay in the right-of-way debris clearance operations. Operations have resumed, but were delayed while services were procured again.
- A displaced population remains unsheltered, and the need for continued sheltering and mass care services will extend beyond the current emergency work deadline.

As of September 12, 2025, 62 households remain in sheltering with 37 of those households having no identified shelter exit date currently. There are also a significant number of individuals living in damaged homes that will need sheltering as winter begins, which will increase demands on emergency shelters. While every effort is being made to move impacted individuals into intermediate and long-term shelter solutions there may be a need for sheltering of some households (likely less than 25 households) beyond the 6-month emergency work POP.

- With the onset of winter, safe sheltering for the impacted population becomes even more essential. The average low temperature in St Louis in December is 28 degrees with an average winter snowfall of 16-18 inches per year. These conditions are hazardous to health and safety and will necessitate additional sheltering that needs to be conducted by the city beyond the December 9th period of performance date.
- Over 1,688 private property structures were destroyed with over 1 million tons (per USACE estimates) of both vegetative and C&D debris estimated to have been created by the devastating storm.

These circumstances meet FEMA's criteria for extenuating delays beyond the Applicant's control, as outlined in PAPPG v5, Chapter 11, Section II, which includes contractor issues, and the magnitude of the event.

Requested Extension

Please provide a six-month extension to the Emergency Work POP, extending the deadline from December 9, 2025, to June 9, 2026. The City of St. Louis requests this approval via a signed memo on official state letterhead from SEMA that includes a FEMA Region 7 courtesy copy and includes the rationale for approval based upon the above justification. We also request that the approval be signed by an Authorized State Representative (Director Remillard or Recovery Division Manager Ron Boxtton).

Note that this extension will allow the City to complete critical emergency work activities, including:

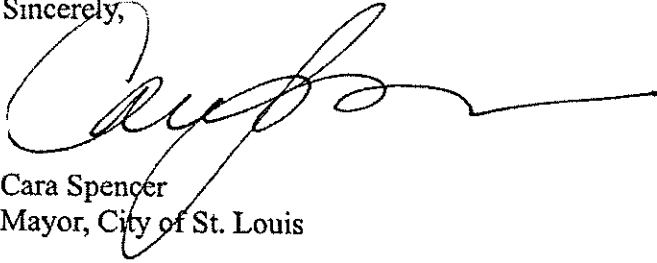
- ROEs for PPDR and demo operations
- Ongoing debris operations
- Continuing sheltering operations for displaced residents

Conclusion

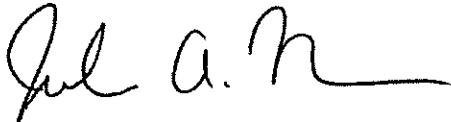
We appreciate SEMA's continued support and partnership in our recovery efforts. Granting this extension will ensure that the City of St. Louis can complete eligible emergency work in compliance with FEMA regulations and provide essential services to our impacted residents.

Please do not hesitate to contact Julian Nicks at 314-296-1082 or nicksj@stlouis-mo.gov should you require additional information or clarification.

Sincerely,

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Cara Spencer
Mayor, City of St. Louis

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Julian Nicks', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Julian Nicks
Chief Recovery Officer, Office of Mayor Cara Spencer, City of St. Louis