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FORSYTH COUNTY RECEIVES REIMBURSEMENT FUNDS
RELATED TO FEBRUARY ICE STORM

FORSYTHCOUNTY, Georgia – Forsyth County recently received reimbursement funds from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the county’s response and recovery efforts following the February 16, 2015 winter weather event. The funds received totaled \$219,645.70 and covered costs related to debris removal, emergency protective measures and damage to public buildings and vehicles.

Following the winter weather event, Forsyth County’s Roads and Bridges Division worked to clear the storm debris that had fallen within the county right of way. A large part of the reimbursement received by the county was to cover the personnel and equipment expenses related to this debris removal.

In April, a Presidential Disaster Declaration confirmed Forsyth County was eligible under the FEMA Public Assistance program to receive reimbursement of certain expenses related to the winter weather event. The Forsyth County Emergency Management Agency worked closely with FEMA to obtain the reimbursement for the county.

“All of the county departments and divisions who responded during and after the ice storm did a great job,” County Manager Doug Derrer said. “The coordination and record keeping done by our Emergency Management Agency resulted in this reimbursement to Forsyth County.”

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