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FEMA ESTABLISHES EIGHT NEW MITIGATION INFORMATION SITES AT LOCAL STORES; TWO NEW STAFFED OUTREACH LOCATIONS OPEN

WARWICK, R. I. – The Federal Emergency Management Agency announced today it is establishing six new self-service mitigation displays at locations in Charlestown, Hope Valley, Wyoming, Bradford, Hopkinton and Richmond. These sites will be in addition to the two already in place at the Walmart stores on Post Road and Bald Hill Road in Warwick.

Meanwhile, FEMA mitigation outreach personnel continue to staff mitigation booths at local retailers, including Lowe's in Cranston, Sam's Club in Warwick, and Whole Foods in Cranston. Two new locations have started at Home Depot in Middletown (878 W. Main Road, 02892) and in Westerly (120 Franklin Street, 02891).

The six new self-service booths opened today, Wednesday, May 19, at the following locations:

Rippy's Marketplace
4153 S. County Trail
Charlestown, RI 02813

Langworthy Library
24 Spring St.
Hope Valley, RI 02831

Ocean Community YMCA
Arcadia Branch
1190 Main St.
Wyoming, RI 02898

Pete's Grocery
244B Ashaway Road
Bradford, RI 02808

Ashaway Free Library
15 Knight St.
Hopkinton, RI 02804

Stop & Shop
3 Stilson Road
Richmond, RI 02898

Residents and business owners still have until May 28 to register (7 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily) by calling **1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or TTY 1-800-462-7585**. Online registration is available at www.fema.gov. SBA loan applications must be submitted by May 28; for information call SBA at **1-800-659-2955** or **TTY at 1-800-977-8339**. After the **May 28** deadline, FEMA and SBA's toll-free lines will still be open for questions about programs or the status of an application.

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FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

The Small Business Administration (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, nonprofit organizations fund repairs or rebuilding efforts, and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. These disaster loans cover losses not fully compensated by insurance or other recoveries and do not duplicate benefits of other agencies or organizations. For information about SBA programs, applicants may call (800) 659-2955 (TTY 1-800-977-8339).

Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-FEMA (3362). For TTY call 800-462-7585.

For more information on Rhode Island disaster recovery, visit www.fema.gov or www.floodrecovery.ri.gov