

Ohio governor declares state of emergency for counties hit by deadly tornadoes, severe weather

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COLUMBUS, Ohio — Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine has issued a state of emergency for counties recovering from tornadoes and severe weather that [claimed the lives of three people](#) and injured at least 25 last week.

DeWine is sending the National Guard to assist with the cleanup in Logan County, where an EF-3 tornado killed three people as it created a path of destruction. The tornado devastated the villages of Lakeview and Russells Point and damaged an RV park, county spokesperson Sheri Timmers said.

Other counties included in the emergency declaration are Auglaize, Crawford, Darke, Delaware, Hancock, Licking, Mercer, Miami, Richland, and Union. The declaration orders all relevant state departments and agencies to lend services, equipment, supplies, and personnel to assist in the response and recovery effort.

The [Columbus Dispatch reports](#) that the National Weather Service has confirmed at least eight tornadoes touched down in Ohio during last week's severe weather.

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