

26.201 Definitions.

Emergency response contract means a contract with private entities that supports assistance activities in a *major disaster or emergency area*, such as debris clearance, distribution of *supplies*, or reconstruction.

Local firm means a private organization, firm, or individual residing or doing business primarily in a *major disaster or emergency area*.

Major disaster or emergency area means the area included in the official Presidential declaration(s) and any additional areas identified by the Department of Homeland Security. *Major disaster* declarations and *emergency* declarations are published in the Federal Register and are available at <https://www.fema.gov/disasters/disaster/declarations>.

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