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News Release

FEMA Experts Offer Ideas to Lessen Impact of Disaster Damage

NORTH LITTLE ROCK –Teams of specialists from the Federal Emergency Management Agency will offer tips and techniques to lessen the impact of future disaster-related property damage at building supply stores in four Arkansas locations beginning Monday, July 27, 2015.

The teams will be at these Lowe's stores:

- **Garland County:** 300 Cornerstone Blvd., Hot Springs
- **Sebastian County:** 8001 Rogers Ave., Fort Smith

Teams will be at the Garland and Sebastian counties Lowe's stores from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday and from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Two other locations were announced:

- **Jefferson County:** Barton's Building Supply, 901 Commerce Drive, Pine Bluff
- **Miller County:** Davis Lumber Company, Hwy 71, South, Texarkana

Teams will be the Jefferson and Miller counties stores Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon.

The teams will be at all four locations through Thursday, Aug. 6, 2015.

FEMA specialists offer "how-to" information on both retrofitting buildings to make them more resistant to wind damage and ways to elevate utilities against flood damage. They also provide tips to clean and help prevent mold and mildew.

Many of the tips and techniques are specifically geared for the do-it-yourselfer and for building contractors. If you have a disability and need an accommodation to access materials such as Braille, large print, please let our representatives know. ASL interpreters are available by appointment by calling 870-451-9241.

FEMA offers a number of free online resources for home and property owners. To get started, go to www.fema.gov/safer-stronger-protected-homes-communities.

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