periods for retaking FINRA qualification examinations to align with FINRA Rule 1210, Supplementary Material .06. Specifically, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change protects investors and the public interest by conforming the Exchange's qualification examination waiting periods to FINRA's amended requirements, thereby promoting consistency across the regulatory framework and reducing potential confusion for Members and their associated persons. As described in detail in the FINRA Rule Change, changes to the FINRA qualification program have reduced the risks that originally informed the current waiting periods, and the shortened periods continue to provide sufficient time for the maintenance of examination integrity and the investigation of potential misconduct. The proposed rule change also fosters cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating transactions in securities by aligning the Exchange's qualification examination requirements with those of FINRA. Further, the proposed rule change removes impediments to and perfects the mechanism of a free and open market by reducing unnecessary barriers to entry for individuals seeking to register to work in the securities industry.

*B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition*

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The proposed rule change does not impose any undue burden on competition; rather, it conforms the Exchange's qualification examination waiting periods to FINRA's amended requirements and does not impose any new obligations or restrictions on Members. The proposed rule change may benefit all Members by allowing them to more quickly make personnel decisions regarding their associated persons' qualification examination retake timing.

*C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others*

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

**III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action**

The Exchange has filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act [12] and Rule 19–4(f)(6) thereunder.[13] Because the proposed rule change does not: (i) significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative prior to 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act and Rule 19–4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder.

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19–4(f)(6) [14] normally does not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of the filing. However, pursuant to Rule 19–4(f)(6)(iii),[15] the Commission may designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of such proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings under Section 19(b)(2)(B) [16] of the Act to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.

**IV. Solicitation of Comments**

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

*Electronic Comments*

- Use the Commission's internet comment form (*https://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml*); or
- Send an email to *rule-comments@sec.gov.* Please include file number SR–NYSEARCA–2026–96 on the subject line.

*Paper Comments*

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549–1090.

All submissions should refer to file number SR–NYSEARCA–2026–96. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's internet website (*https://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml*). Copies of the filing will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. Do not include personal identifiable information in submissions; you should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. We may redact in part or withhold entirely from publication submitted material that is obscene or subject to copyright protection. All submissions should refer to file number SR–NYSEARCA–2026–96 and should be submitted on or before October 16, 2026.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.[17]

**Sherry R. Haywood,**

*Assistant Secretary.*

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[12] 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

[13] 17 CFR 240.19–4(f)(6).

[14] 17 CFR 240.19–4(f)(6).

[15] 17 CFR 240.19–4(f)(6)(iii).

[16] 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

[17] 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

**[Disaster Declaration #21906 and #21907; WASHINGTON Disaster Number WA–20036]**

## Administrative Declaration of a Disaster for the State of Washington

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is notice of an Administrative declaration of a disaster for the state of Washington dated September 22, 2026.

*Incident:* Chelan Hills Wildfire.

**DATES:** Issued on September 22, 2026.

*Incident Period:* July 4, 2026 through July 10, 2026.

*Physical Loan Application Deadline Date:* November 23, 2026.

*Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date:* June 22, 2027.

**ADDRESSES:** *Visit the MySBA Loan Portal at https://lending.sba.gov* to apply for a disaster assistance loan.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Milton Murphy, Office of Disaster Recovery, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW, Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416, (202) 205–6734.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given as a result of the Administrator's disaster declaration, applications for disaster loans may be submitted online using the MySBA Loan Portal *https://lending.sba.gov* or in person at other locally announced locations. For further assistance please contact the SBA disaster assistance customer service center by email at *disastercustomerservice@sba.gov* or by phone at 1–800–659–2955. If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7–1–1 to access telecommunications relay services.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

*Primary County:* Douglas.

*Contiguous Counties:*

Washington: Chelan, Grant, Kittitas, Okanogan.

The Interest Rates are:

| | Percent |
|---|---|
| *For Physical Damage:* | |
| Homeowners with Credit Available Elsewhere | 5.7502 |
| Homeowners without Credit Available Elsewhere | 2.875 |
| Businesses with Credit Available Elsewhere | 8.000 |
| Businesses without Credit Available Elsewhere | 4.000 |
| Private Non-Profit Organizations with Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.625 |
| Private Non-Profit Organizations without Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.625 |
| *For Economic Injury:* | |
| Business and Small Agricultural Cooperatives without Credit Available Elsewhere | 4.000 |
| Private Non-Profit Organizations without Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.625 |

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 219065 and for economic injury is 219070.

The states which received an SBA Administrative declaration are Washington.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59008)

(Authority: 13 CFR 123.3(b).)

**James Stallings,**

*Associate Administrator, Office of Disaster Recovery.*

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

**[Disaster Declaration #21904 and #21905; PENNSYLVANIA Disaster Number PA–20044]**

### Administrative Declaration of a Disaster for the Commonwealth of PENNSYLVANIA

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is notice of an Administrative declaration of a disaster for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania dated September 22, 2026. Incident: Severe Storms and Flash Flooding.

**DATES:** Issued on September 22, 2026.

*Incident Period:* September 2, 2026 through September 3, 2026.

*Physical Loan Application Deadline Date:* November 23, 2026.

*Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date:* June 22, 2027.

**ADDRESSES:** *Visit the MySBA Loan Portal at https://lending.sba.gov* to apply for a disaster assistance loan.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer Talarico, Office of Disaster Recovery, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW, Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416, (202) 205–6734.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given as a result of the Administrator's disaster declaration, applications for disaster loans may be submitted online using the MySBA Loan Portal *https://lending.sba.gov* or in person at other locally announced locations. For further assistance please contact the SBA disaster assistance customer service center by email at *disastercustomerservice@sba.gov* or by phone at 1–866–SBA–HELP. If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7–1–1 to access telecommunications relay services.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

*Primary Counties:*

Clinton, Erie.

*Contiguous Counties:*

Pennsylvania: Cameron, Centre, Clearfield, Crawford, Lycoming, Potter, Union, Warren.

New York: Chautauqua.

Ohio: Ashtabula.

The Interest Rates are:

| | Percent |
|---|---|
| *For Physical Damage:* | |
| Homeowners with Credit Available Elsewhere | 6.000 |
| Homeowners without Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.000 |
| Businesses with Credit Available Elsewhere | 8.000 |
| Businesses without Credit Available Elsewhere | 4.000 |
| Private Non-Profit Organizations with Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.625 |
| Private Non-Profit Organizations without Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.625 |
| *For Economic Injury:* | |
| Business and Small Agricultural Cooperatives without Credit Available Elsewhere | 4.000 |
| Private Non-Profit Organizations without Credit Available Elsewhere | 3.625 |

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 219046 and for economic injury is 219050.

The states which received an SBA Administrative declaration are New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59008)

(Authority: 13 CFR 123.3(b).)

**James Stallings,**

*Associate Administrator, Office of Disaster Recovery.*

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

**[Disaster Declaration #21849 and #21850; SOUTH DAKOTA Disaster Number SD–20019]**

### Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster for the Oglala Sioux Tribe

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the Oglala Sioux Tribe (FEMA–4941–DR), dated September 1, 2026.

*Incident*: Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding.

**DATES:** Issued on September 1, 2026.

*Incident Period:* June 2, 2026 through June 4, 2026.

*Physical Loan Application Deadline Date:* November 27, 2026.

*Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date:* June 1, 2027.

**ADDRESSES:** *Visit the MySBA Loan Portal at https://lending.sba.gov* to apply for a disaster assistance loan.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sharon Henderson, Office of Disaster