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RALEIGH — Chief Justice Paul Newby has issued an emergency directive order under N.C.G.S. § 7A-39(b)(1) extending relief for certain weather-affected counties in western North Carolina. Today's order extends the [amended order](#), issued September 30, 2024, for the following 13 counties:

- Avery, Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Transylvania, Watauga, and Yancey.

The emergency directives contained in this order become effective October 15, 2024, and expire on October 28, 2024.

[See the order for full details.](#)

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