



Insurance representatives in flood-affected areas can help local residents access DFA funding

Emergency Management BC requests broker/agent assistance.

Due to recent, unprecedented flooding as a result of the atmospheric river in the southern half of British Columbia, brokers and insurance agents will soon be receiving numerous requests from their clients to complete an insurance form required as part of the application for Disaster Financial Assistance (DFA) from the province.

British Columbia's Disaster Financial Assistance (DFA) program has been authorized for eligible homeowner, residential tenants, farmers, small business owners and charitable organizations. One of the criteria for eligibility is that overland flood insurance is NOT reasonably and readily available to the applicant. The [DFA bulletin on Overland Flood Insurance](#) explains the eligibility criteria.

To determine whether an applicant has overland flood insurance or could have purchased this insurance, Emergency Management BC requires confirmation of this from the applicant's insurance representative. Applicants will need to send the insurance template provided by Emergency Management BC to their insurance representative to be completed and returned to Emergency Management BC.

How quickly these forms are completed and submitted to Emergency Management BC will have a direct impact on how quickly government can provide DFA. Brokers and agents are encouraged to complete the templates and return via email to DFA@gov.bc.ca.

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