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Individuals, Businesses in Gogebic County Eligible for Tax Relief *Tax Relief Enables Disaster Survivors to Focus on their Recovery*

LANSING, MICH. Individuals and businesses residing in Gogebic County are now eligible for tax relief, according to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Gov. Rick Snyder instructed the Michigan State Police to amend a recent state of disaster declaration to include Gogebic County in Michigan's western Upper Peninsula after heavy rains June 17 caused widespread flooding. Along with Houghton and Menominee counties, individual and business taxpayers who reside in Gogebic County now have additional time to file state tax returns, with penalties and interest waived.

Individuals unable to meet filing deadlines due to this disaster should contact Treasury at 517-636-4486. Businesses are asked to call 517-636-6925.

"This state tax relief provides disaster survivors more time to focus on their recovery," said Glenn White, head of Treasury's Tax Administration Group. "Please call or write to the state Treasury Department to make the needed arrangements."

In addition, affected taxpayers may write to Treasury to request disaster-related tax relief. When writing, the following must be included in the correspondence:

- Name and account number of the individual or business taxpayer.
- Reason for the relief request.
- Taxpayer address within one of the disaster areas or address of the tax preparer located in one of the disaster areas.

Taxpayers should send the completed correspondence to the following address:

Michigan Department of Treasury
Attn: Disaster Tax Relief
Lansing, Michigan 48922

Some taxpayers may receive a preliminary assessment notice before a tax relief request is formally received by Treasury. Taxpayers within the disaster areas who receive these notices should contact Treasury by phone to resolve.

To learn more about Michigan's tax system, go to <https://www.michigan.gov/taxes>.

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coordinates response and recovery efforts by state agencies and local government. The SEOC is staffed by members of state agencies for decision making and information coordination during disasters or emergencies in the state of Michigan.

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