

FEMA Awards Additional Funds for Spring Creek Wildfire Response

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DENVER – FEMA has awarded another \$1.9 million to the Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control for the cost of fighting the Spring Creek Wildfire that impacted portions of Colorado in late June and July of 2018. The funds are provided by FEMA's Public Assistance program under a Fire Management Assistance declaration for Colorado issued on June 28, 2018.

The Spring Creek wildfire began in Costilla and Huerfano counties on June 27, 2018. The fire burned 108,000 acres, destroyed 140 buildings and caused the evacuation of approximately 400 homes. This Fire Management Assistance Grant for the Spring Creek wildfire reimburses the state for costs incurred to fight the wildfire including the cost of air tankers, helicopters, firefighters, EMTs, communications technicians, and personnel support equipment.

The FEMA grant represents the 75 percent federal cost share made available under the Fire Management Assistance Grant declaration. FEMA has now awarded the state more than \$6.6 million in response to the Spring Creek Wildfire.

For more information on FEMA's Fire Management Assistance Grants, visit <https://www.fema.gov/fire-management-assistance-grants-program-details>. Additional information about FEMA's Public Assistance program can be found at www.fema.gov/assistance/public.



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