Additional FEMA Help Approved for Nine California Counties

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Additional help has been approved for nine California counties ravaged by the September/October wildfires.

The following assistance, approved Nov. 25, is added to the Oct. 16 presidential disaster declaration for the wildfire period Sept. 4 through Nov. 17, 2020:

- Del Norte County for Public Assistance, including direct federal assistance.
- Fresno, Madera, Mendocino, Napa, Shasta, Siskiyou, and Sonoma counties for debris removal (Category A) and permanent work (Categories C-G). These counties are already designated for Individual Assistance and emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program.
- Yuba County for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B), including direct federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program.

FEMA's PA program provides federal grant assistance to help communities quickly respond to and recover from major disasters or emergencies declared by the president. An applicant is a nonfederal entity (a local, state, territorial or tribal government or an eligible private nonprofit organization) that applies for assistance under a federal award.

Federal funds pay for not less than 75 percent of the eligible cost of emergency work and permanent work.

The PA program benefits everyone – neighborhoods, towns, cities, counties, states and their residents. Funds are used for projects to renovate classrooms, refurbish hospitals, restore parks and repair public transportation systems so students can go to safe schools, doctors and nurses can provide medical care and families can enjoy the outdoors in public parks.



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