

Fire Management Assistance Grants

Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) Program is available to states, local and tribal governments, for the mitigation, management, and control of fires on publicly or privately owned forests or grasslands, which threaten such destruction as would constitute a major disaster.

Declaration Process

The [Fire Management Assistance declaration process](#) is initiated when a state submits a request for assistance to the FEMA Regional Director at the time a "threat of major disaster" exists. The entire process is accomplished on an expedited basis and a FEMA decision is rendered in a matter of hours.

The Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) Program provides a 75 percent federal cost share and the state pays the remaining 25 percent for actual costs.

Fire Cost Thresholds

Before a grant can be awarded, a state must demonstrate that total eligible costs for the declared fire meet or exceed either the individual fire cost threshold -- which applies to single fires, or the cumulative fire cost threshold, which recognizes numerous smaller fires burning throughout a state.

Eligible Types of Work

Eligible firefighting costs may include expenses for:

- Field camps
- Repair and replacement tools
- Mobilization and demobilization activities
- Equipment use
- Materials and supplies



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