

FEMA Awards \$10.2 Million for Hurricane Irma Debris Removal

ORLANDO, Fla. – FEMA has awarded grants totaling **\$10,219,012** for the State of Florida to reimburse applicants for debris removal following Hurricane Irma in 2017.

The FEMA Public Assistance grants include:

- **Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission: \$4,959,887** for removal of marine debris statewide.
- **City of Miami Beach: \$2,934,133** for removal of more than 66,164 cubic yards of vegetative debris and more than 11,870 cubic yards of construction and demolition debris from public roads, property and rights-of-way.
- **Miami-Dade County: \$2,324,992** for removal of more than 26,000 cubic yards of vegetative debris from public roads, property and rights-of-way.

FEMA's Public Assistance program provides grants to state, tribal, and local governments, and certain types of private nonprofit organizations, including some houses of worship, so that communities can quickly respond to and recover from major disasters or emergencies. The Florida Division of Emergency Management works with FEMA during all phases of the program and conducts final reviews of FEMA-approved projects.

The federal share for projects is not less than 75 percent of the eligible cost. The state determines how the nonfederal share of the cost of a project (up to 25 percent) is split with the subrecipients like local and county governments.



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