FEMA Fire Management Assistance Granted for the Spring Valley Fire

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OAKLAND, Calif. – The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Region 9 Administrator authorized the use of federal funds on July 16 at 7:00 p.m. PDT / 10:00 p.m. EDT to assist the state of Nevada to combat the Spring Valley Fire burning in Douglas County.

On July 16, the state of Nevada submitted a request for a Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG). At the time of the request, the fire threatened approximately 1,200-1,500 homes in and around Double Springs, Holbrook Junction and Topaz Ranch Estates, population 1,750. 100% of the threatened homes are primary residences and 0% are secondary residences.

The fire started on July 16, 2024, and had burned more than 200 acres, 80 acres of State and Private land and 120 acres of Tribal land. The fire was 3% contained. There are two large fires burning uncontrolled within the State.

FMAGs provide federal funding for up to 75 percent of eligible firefighting costs. The Disaster Relief Fund provides allowances for FMAGs through FEMA to assist in fighting fires that threaten to become a greater incident.

Eligible costs covered by FMAGs can include expenses for field camps, equipment use, materials, supplies and mobilization, and demobilization activities attributed to fighting the fire.

For more information on FMAGs, visit <u>fema.gov/assistance/public/fire-management-assistance</u>.

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