

FEMA Fire Management Assistance Granted for the Jacks Valley Fire

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OAKLAND, Calif. – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has authorized the use of federal funds to assist the state of Nevada in combating the Jacks Valley Fire, which is burning in Douglas County.

On June 9, the state of Nevada submitted a request for a Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) for the Jacks Valley Fire. At the time of the request, the fire threatened approximately 1,000 homes in and around the community of Indian Hills. The fire also threatened 10 businesses, a school, water tanks and high voltage transmission lines.

The FEMA regional administrator approved the state's request on June 9, as the fire threatened to become a major incident.

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 cause major disasters. 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 fema.gov/assistance/public/fire-management-assistance.

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