

Six Counties Receive Federal Help with Wildfire Debris Removal

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Sacramento, Ca.-The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) announced today that Lake, Monterey, Napa, Santa Cruz, Solano, and Sonoma counties have been designated to receive federal assistance for debris removal under FEMA's Public Assistance Program.

On August 22, 2020, President Donald J. Trump granted a Major Disaster Declaration for the State of California triggering the release of federal funds to help people and communities recovering from wildfires that occurred August 14, 2020, and continuing. That disaster declaration was amended today to add the six counties for assistance with debris removal.

Those six counties plus San Mateo and Yolo counties were previously designated for FEMA's Individual Assistance Program and for Public Assistance with emergency protective measures.

Eligible applicants for Public Assistance funds include state, county and local governments, federally recognized tribal governments, and some private non-profits such as educational and medical facilities. FEMA provides 75 percent of the cost of eligible projects.

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