

FEMA Awards Additional Funds for East Troublesome Wildfire Recovery

DENVER – FEMA has awarded \$2.45 million to Mountain Parks Electric for repairs to portions of the power cooperative’s electrical distribution system that were damaged by the East Troublesome wildfire in 2020.

The East Troublesome Fire caused significant damage to Mountain Parks Electric’s power distribution system in rural portions of Grand County. FEMA’s grant will fund repairs to the system including the cost of replacing 195 utility poles, nearly 200,000 linear feet of conductor line, and six transformers.

The funds are provided under the major disaster declaration for Colorado issued on January 15, 2021, following the Cameron Peak and East Troublesome wildfires. FEMA has now approved more than \$30.3 million in Public Assistance grant funds for the Cameron Peak and East Troublesome wildfire recovery.

FEMA’s Public Assistance reimbursements are made on a cost-sharing basis to states, counties, municipalities, tribes and certain private nonprofit organizations for emergency work and restoration of infrastructure. FEMA will provide 75 percent of the cost share for this recovery project.

Additional information about FEMA’s Public Assistance program can be found at www.fema.gov/assistance/public.

