

FEMA Fire Management Assistance Grant Approved for Peavine Fire

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OAKLAND, Calif. – The Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) Region 9 Administrator authorized the use of federal funds to assist the State of Nevada in combating the Peavine Fire burning in Washoe County.

On August 2, the State of Nevada submitted a request for a Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) declaration for the Peavine Fire. At the time of the request, the fire was threatening approximately 100 homes in and around Cold Springs and Stead. Mandatory evacuations were taking place for 100 homes. The fire started on August 2 and had burned more than 75 acres.

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 major incidents.

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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