

Cost Share Adjustment allows for \$60.9 Million in Additional Funding for WV

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The state of West Virginia will receive an additional \$60, 979,321.56 from FEMA as a result of President Donald J. Trump amending West Virginia's 2016 Disaster Declaration (DR-4273).

On February 21, 2020, President Trump authorized a federal cost-share increase for projects funded by FEMA's Public Assistance grant program from 75% to 90%. This increase allows FEMA to reimburse state and local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations 90% of eligible costs of emergency expenses, debris removal and infrastructure repair. The remaining 10% is provided by non-federal funds.

This adjustment will increase the federal share for 971 individual grant awards developed under DR-4273, as well as provide additional funding for the direct federal assistance provided to West Virginia immediately following the declaration.

Before this adjustment, FEMA had obligated \$307,455,334.18 to the state because of damages from DR-4273 under the Public Assistance program and \$94,195.04 for direct federal assistance. When federal disaster aid to a state meets or exceeds a set amount per state resident, federal regulations allow for the President to authorize an increase to 90%.

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

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