



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

REQUEST FOR PRESIDENTIAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION COVER LETTER

July 27, 2018

The Honorable Donald J. Trump
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Through: Robert J. Fenton, Jr.
Regional Administrator
Federal Emergency Management
Agency, Region IX
Oakland, California, 94607-4052

Dear Mr. President:

Under the provisions of Section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. sections 5121-5207 (Stafford Act), and implemented by Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 206.35, I request you issue an Emergency Declaration for Direct Federal Assistance for Shasta County, as a result of the Carr Fire, which is still burning.

Beginning on July 23, 2018, the Carr Fire broke out in Shasta County during exceptionally dangerous fire weather conditions, including extremely hot temperatures, low humidity, and erratic winds. These conditions have caused the Carr Fire to grow uncontrollably, causing widespread destruction and at least two fatalities. To date, the Carr Fire has currently burned over 44,450 acres and is merely 3 percent contained.

The Carr Fire has already forced approximately 30,000 residents from more than 11,000 households to evacuate their homes and seek temporary shelter. Many residents had little time to flee due to the fire's rapid and erratic rate of spread through the rural terrain. Thus far, evacuations have impacted communities that include, but are not limited to, French Gulch, Keswick, Old Shasta, Victoria Highlands, Whiskeytown, and Whiskey Creek. Officials anticipate more evacuation orders will be issued as the fires spread continues towards even more heavily populated areas within the city of Redding.

On July 26, 2018, I declared, under the California Emergency Services Act, a State of Emergency in Shasta County. The Office of Emergency Services activated the State Operations Center, as well as the Inland Regional Emergency Operations Center. The State activated its Emergency Plan and deployed all available assets, including the local and state mutual aid, the California National Guard and out-of-state assistance. Additionally, the Federal Emergency Management Agency approved a Fire Management Assistance Grant for the fire.

California has suffered many devastating disasters within the last year, including the deadliest wildfires in the state's history. Last October, you issued a Major Disaster Declaration (FEMA-4344-DR-CA) for wildfires in Northern California that destroyed thousands of structures and claimed 43 lives. Further, beginning in December 2017, the largest wildfire in California history, the Thomas Fire, erupted in Southern California which burned hundreds of thousands of acres. Following that fire, a deadly mudslide took more than 20 lives. The fires and mudslides caused unprecedented damage and destruction and resulted in another Major Disaster Declaration (FEMA-4353-DR-CA). These disasters have severely impacted California's resources.

I have determined this incident is of such severity and magnitude that continued effective response is beyond the capabilities of the State and affected local governments and supplemental federal assistance is necessary to save lives and to protect property, public health and safety, and to lessen the effects of this imminent catastrophe. I am requesting Direct Federal Assistance, including Department of Defense air assets to immediately mitigate the impacts of this fire;

shelter supplies and water for 30,000 evacuated residents in Shasta County; U.S. Department of Agriculture's assistance in evacuating large animals; mass care; evacuation assistance for individuals with access and functional needs; and ambulatory transport.

I certify for this emergency, the State and local governments will assume all applicable non-federal share costs as required by the Stafford Act. I have designated the Director of the Office of Emergency Services, Mark Ghilarducci, as the State Coordinating Officer for this request. Mr. Ghilarducci will work with FEMA on my behalf.

Sincerely,


EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Governor

Enclosures

OMB No. 1660-0009/FEMA Form 010-0-13
Stafford Act and State Disaster Declarations in Previous 12 Months

Stafford Act and State Disaster Declarations in Previous 18 Months

Event Number	Disaster Name	Counties
CDAA 2018-05	Ferguson Fire	Mariposa
FM-5260	Cranston Fire	Riverside
FM-5259	Carr Fire	Shasta
FM-5252	Holiday Fire	Santa Barbara
FM-5251	West Fire	San Diego
FM-5250/CDAA 2018-04	Klamathon Fire	Siskiyou
FM-5245	Creek Fire	Shasta
FM-5244/CDAA 2018-03	Pawnee Fire	Lake
CDAA 2018-02	January 2018 Debris and Mudflow	Burbank
CDAA 2018-01	March 2018 Storms	Mariposa, Merced, and Tuolumne
DR-4353/CDAA 2017-12	December 2017 California Wildfires and Debris Flows	083, 111 (PA) 037, 073, 083, 1111 (IA)
EM-3396	Southern California Wildfires	Los Angeles, Riverside, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura
FM-5227	Skirball Fire	Los Angeles
FM-5226	Rye Fire	Los Angeles
FM-5225	Creek Fire	Los Angeles
FM-5224	Thomas Fire	Ventura
CDAA 2017-11	Inyo/Mono Snowmelt	Inyo, Mono
FM-5223	Canyon 2 Fire	Riverside (FMAG Only)
DR-4344/CDAA 2017-09	October 2017 Wildfires	Butte, Lake, Mendocino, Napa, Nevada, Orange, Solano, Sonoma, Yuba
CDAA 2017-10	Ponderosa Fire	Butte
FM-5213	Canyon Fire	Orange, Riverside
FM-5205	Pier Fire	Tulare
FM-5204	Mission Fire	Madera
FM-5202	Railroad Fire	Madera, Mariposa
FM-5201	La Tuna Fire	Los Angeles
CDAA 2017-08	Alamo and Whittier Fires	Santa Barbara
FM-5199/CDAA 2017-07	Helena Fire	Trinity
CDAA 2017-06	Modoc County Wildfires	Modoc
FM-5192/CDAA 2017-04	Detwiler Fire	Mariposa
FM-5189/CDAA 2017-05	Wall Fire	Butte
DR-4308/CDAA 2017-03	February 2017 Winter Storms	Alameda, Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Kings, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Mono, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Plumas, Sacramento, San Benito, San Joaquin,

		San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tuolumne, Yolo, Yuba, and the Tule River Tribe in Tulare
DR-4305/CDA 2017-02	Late January 2017 Winter Storms	Alameda, Calaveras, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Inyo, Kern, Los Angeles, Mendocino, Mono, Napa, Orange, Riverside, Sacramento, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, Trinity, Tuolumne, Yolo
EM-3381	Potential Failure of Oroville Dam Emergency Spillway	Butte, Sutter, and Yuba
DR-4301/CDA 2017-01	January 2017 Winter Storms	Alameda, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Humboldt, Inyo, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mendocino, Merced, Mono, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Benito, San Luis Obispo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Sutter, Trinity, Tuolumne, Yolo, and Yuba

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
 Federal Emergency Management Agency
REQUEST FOR PRESIDENTIAL DISASTER DECLARATION
MAJOR DISASTER OR EMERGENCY

OMB Control Number 1660-0009
 Expires 09/30/2019

1. Request Date Jul 27, 2018

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2a. Name of State (as defined in Stafford Act 102, 42 U.S.C. § 5122) or Indian tribal government requesting declaration. California	2b. Population (as reported by 2010 Census) or estimated population of Indian tribal government's damaged area(s). <u>37,253,956</u>
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3. Governor's or Tribal Chief Executive's Name Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr.	4. Designation of State or Tribal Coordinating Officer upon declaration (if available) and phone number Mark S. Ghilarducci, (916) 845-8575
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5. Designation of Governor's Authorized Representative or Tribal Chief Executive Representative upon declaration (if available) and phone number
 Mark S. Ghilarducci, (916) 845-8575

6. Declaration Request For: Major Disaster (Stafford Act Sec. 401) Emergency (Stafford Act Sec. 501 (a))

7. Incident Period: Beginning Date Jul 23, 2018 End Date _____ or Continuing

If requesting a "continuing" incident period, enclose an official statement from a qualified Federal Government agency acknowledged as a national authority in a specific incident field (e.g., United States Geological Survey for seismic incidents, the National Weather Service for flooding).

7b. Type of Incident (Check all that apply)

Drought Earthquake Explosion Fire Flood Hurricane Landslide Mudslide
 Severe Storm Snowstorm
 (rain, high water, wind-driven, rain, hail, lightning) (Must include Enclosure D: Historic and Current Snowfall Data) Straight-Line Winds
 Tidal Wave Tornado Tropical Depression Tropical Storm Tsunami Volcanic Eruption Winter Storm
 Other (please specify) _____

8. Description of damages (Short description of impacts of disaster on affected area and population). Include additional details in enclosed Governor's or Tribal Chief Executive's cover letter.
 Carr fire current perimeter at 44,450 (+24,450), with 3% containment (-7%). 2 fatalities and unknown injuries at this time. Officials are still assessing damages, but conservatively estimate at least 500 homes have been destroyed and there is a high potential for the number to exceed 1,000 at this time. Evacuations are in effect for approximately 30,000 residents at this time from over 11,000 households.

9. Description of the nature and amount of State and local or Indian tribal government resources which have been or will be committed. Include additional details in enclosed Governor's or Tribal Chief Executive's cover letter.
 All necessary state assets are deployed, including the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), fire mutual aid, law enforcement mutual aid, the California National Guard, and a mutual aid agreement with the State of Nevada.

10. Joint Preliminary Damage Assessment*

Individual Assistance Dates Performed Requested _____ Start _____ End _____

Individual Assistance Accessibility Problems (Areas that could not be accessed, and why)
Fire continues to burn out of control.

Public Assistance Dates Performed Requested _____ Start _____ End _____

Public Assistance Accessibility Problems (Areas that could not be accessed, and why)
Fire continues to burn out of control.

11. Programs and Areas Requested

Individual Assistance N/A Individuals and Households Program Crisis Counseling Program Disaster Unemployment Assistance
 All Disaster Case Management Disaster Legal Services Small Business Administration (SBA) Disaster Assistance

For the following jurisdictions, specify programs and areas (counties, parishes, independent cities; for Indian tribal government, list tribe(s) and/or tribal area(s)) If additional space is needed, please enclose additional documentation).

For States, identify Federally-recognized Tribes in the requested counties (if applicable).

Please see **Enclosure A: Supplemental Information for Individual Assistance** for additional information in support of this request*.

*Not Required for Emergency Declaration Request

11. Programs and Areas Requested (Continued)

Public Assistance N/A Debris Removal (Category A) Emergency Protective Measures (Category B) Permanent Work (Categories C-G)* (not available for Emergency Declaration Requests)

For the following jurisdictions, specify programs and areas (counties, parishes, independent cities; for Indian tribal government, list tribe(s) and/or tribal area(s)). If additional space is needed or your request includes different categories of work for different jurisdictions; please enclose additional documentation.

Shasta County

For States, identify Federally-recognized Tribes included in the requested counties (if applicable).

Please see **Enclosure B: Supplemental Information for Public Assistance** for additional information in support of this request*.

Indemnification for Debris Removal Activity

I do not anticipate the need for debris removal.

I anticipate the need for debris removal, which poses an immediate threat to lives, public health and safety. Pursuant to Sections 403 and 407 of the Stafford Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 5170b & 5173, the State or Indian tribal government agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the United States of America for any claims arising from the removal of debris or wreckage for this disaster. The State or Indian tribal government agrees that debris removal from public and private property will not occur until the landowner signs an unconditional authorization for the removal of debris.

Request for Direct Federal Assistance

I do not request direct Federal assistance at this time.

I request direct Federal assistance for work and services to save lives and protect property, and:

a. I request the following type(s) of assistance:

State assets are fully engaged. Requesting Department of Defense air assets to immediately mitigate the impacts of this fire, shelter supplies and water for 30,000 residents of Shasta County, United States Department of Agriculture's assistance in evacuating large animals, Mass Care, evacuation assistance for individuals with access and functional needs, and ambulatory transport.

b. List of reasons why State and local or Indian tribal government cannot perform, or contract for, required work and services.

The state is experiencing extreme fire weather conditions statewide and its resources are stretched beyond its capabilities. The state fully engaged all of its resources, activated the California National Guard, and brought in out of state resources.

c. In accordance with 44 C.F.R. § 206.208, the State or Indian tribal government agrees that it will, with respect to direct Federal assistance: (1) Provide without cost to the United States all lands, easements, and rights-of-ways necessary to accomplish the approved work; (2) Hold and save the United States free from damages due to the requested work, and shall indemnify the Federal Government against any claims arising from such work; (3) Provide reimbursement to FEMA for the non-Federal share of the cost of such work in accordance with the provisions of the FEMA-State or FEMA-Tribe Agreement ; and (4) Assist the performing Federal agency in all support and local jurisdictional matters.

Request for Snow Assistance

N/A I request snow assistance.

Snow assistance for the following jurisdictions (Specify counties, independent cities or tribes and/or tribal areas).

Please see **Enclosure D: Historic and Current Snowfall Data** for additional information in support of this request*.

*Not Required for Emergency Declaration Request

11. Programs and Areas Requested (Continued)

Hazard Mitigation* Statewide **OR**

For the following specific counties, parishes, independent cities or tribes and/or tribal areas.

12. Mitigation Plan Information*

a. Mitigation Plan Expiration Date September 30, 2018 b. Type of Plan Enhanced Standard

13. Other Federal Agency Programs

I do not anticipate requirements from Other Federal Agencies I do anticipate requirements from Other Federal Agencies

Please see **Enclosure C: Requirements for Other Federal Agency Programs** for additional information in support of this request*.

14. Findings and Certifications

I certify the following:

- a. I have determined that this incident is of such severity and magnitude that effective response is beyond the capabilities of the State and the affected local government or Indian tribal government and that supplementary federal assistance is necessary.
- b. In response to this incident, I have taken appropriate action under State or tribal law and have directed the execution of the State or Tribal Emergency Plan on Jul 26, 2018 in accordance with the Stafford Act.
- c. The State and local governments, or Indian tribal government will assume all applicable non-Federal share of costs required by the Stafford Act.

15. List of Enclosures and Supporting Documentation

- Cover Letter Enclosure A (Individual Assistance)* Enclosure B (Public Assistance)*
- Enclosure C (Requirements for Other Federal Agency Programs) Enclosure D (Historic and Current Snowfall Data)
- Additional Supporting Documentation _____



Governor's or Tribal Chief Executive's Signature

Jul 27, 2018

Date

If anyone except the Governor or Tribal Chief Executive signs this document, please provide the documentation that establishes that this individual has the legal authority to act on behalf of the Governor or Tribal Chief Executive.

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