

All Monterey County Public Agencies and Private Non-Profit Organizations:

Local, State, and federal emergency declarations were issued in June regarding the Basin Complex Fire (FEMA-3287-EM-CA). Public Assistance is available to help local governments, special districts, and private non-profit (PNP) organizations recover certain incident-related costs.

The County of Monterey is working with the Governor's Office of Emergency Services to assist public agencies, districts, and PNPs in Monterey County with reimbursement requests for all eligible expenses. This message is being sent to a broad list of recipients so that each agency is fully informed and able to participate to the extent desired in the reimbursement process.

Please help us provide the widest dissemination of this message to all Monterey County public agencies and PNPs by forwarding this message to any agency not represented on this distribution list.

If your organization incurred reimbursable costs in response to this declared emergency, you must submit your initial application for reimbursement to the Governor's Office of Emergency Services by **July 28, 2008**. An information sheet and instructions for submitting your application are contained in the attached bulletin. The application process is streamlined and does not require detailed cost data.

On behalf of the County, we extend appreciation to the cities and districts that provided and continue to provide personnel to work in the Monterey County EOC during this fire emergency. We intend to include the cost of all EOC staff, including those employed by cities, districts, and PNPs, in our reimbursement claim. These costs and these costs only should be submitted to the County for processing. The balance of your claim, including loss of infrastructure and other direct response costs, should be submitted under separate cover directly to the State by your agency.

Please contact Phil Yenovkian, Monterey County Office of Emergency Services, (831) 796-1904, with any questions or concerns regarding this process. If you intend to submit a claim, please let Phil know so that he can continue to forward all important information to you. We will notify you of the date, time, and location of the first Applicant's Briefing as soon as it is scheduled.

Sincerely,

Paul Ireland
Emergency Service Manager
County of Monterey