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To: Sponsoring Agency Fire Chiefs (and designated
Reps) and Program Managers of California-Based
State/National US&R Task Forces; California Regional
US&R Task Forces, and Cal OES Swiftwater-Flood S&R
Teams; copied to FEMA US&R Program Reps and
Program Office Staff, and Cal OES Special Ops Staff

SUBJECT: Update on California-Based US&R Resources for
Hurricanes Milton and Helene

NOTE: ***INFORMATIONAL/SITUATIONAL AWARENESS*******

Cal OES continues close coordination with the FEMA US&R Branch, EMAC (Emergency Management Assistance Compact), other states, and other partners; and continues to monitor requests for US&R and related resources for the ongoing operations in areas affected by Hurricanes Milton and Helene. California-based US&R Task Force overhead are assisting the US&R Branch at FEMA Headquarters and a Cal OES Fire & Rescue AREP is co-located with the FEMA Red US&R IST in Orlando.

California-based US&R resources assigned to Hurricane Helene:

FEMA Blue US&R Incident Support Team (IST): Incremental Demobilizations have begun.

California-based US&R Canine Search Teams-Human Remains Detection: 10

California-based US&R resources assigned to Hurricane Milton:

FEMA Red US&R Incident Support Team (IST): 6 California-based members, Orlando, FL
California/FEMA US&R Task Force (CA-TF1, Los Angeles Fire Department, NIMS Type 3 US&R Task Force)
California/FEMA US&R Task Force 2 (CA-TF2, Los Angeles County Fire Department, NIMS Type 3 US&R Task Force)
California/FEMA US&R Task Force 3 (CA-TF3, Menlo Park Fire Protection District, NIMS Type 1 US&R Task Force (sharing personnel from CA-TF4, Oakland Fire Department))
California/FEMA US&R Task Force 5 (CA-TF5, Orange County Fire Authority, NIMS Type 1 US&R Task Force)
California/FEMA US&R Task Force 6 (CA-TF6, Riverside Fire Department, NIMS Type 3 US&R Task Force)
California/FEMA US&R Task Force (CA-TF1, Los Angeles Fire Department, US&R Mission Ready Package-Water Rescue)
Cal OES Fire & Rescue (Special Ops & Haz Mat) AREP, Orlando, FL (co-located with the Red US&R IST)

Respectfully,

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