



# Fact Sheet

**FEMA-4856-DR-CA:** California Wildfires and Straight-line Winds  
**CDAА-2025-01:** Wildfires and Straight-line Winds

On January 8, 2025, President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. declared a major disaster making federal disaster aid available to Los Angeles County for the *California Wildfires and Straight-line Winds*. This Fact Sheet contains information regarding the affected counties, available assistance, and Request for Public Assistance (RPA) application information.

## Important Disaster Information

**Federal Declaration Name:** California Wildfires and Straight-line Winds

**Federal Declaration Number:** FEMA-4856-DR-CA

**Incident Period:** January 7, 2025, and continuing

**State Disaster Name:** Wildfires and Straight-line Winds

**State Disaster Number:** CDAА 2025-01

**State Incident Period:** January 7, 2025, and continuing

## Applicants Eligible for Assistance

The following entities and certain private nonprofit organizations may be eligible for disaster assistance under this Presidential Declaration:

- State Agencies - (No CDAА)
- Tribal Nations – (No CDAА)
- Cities
- Counties
- Special Districts (including School Districts and Community College Districts)
- Certain Private Non-Profit Organizations (No CDAА)

## Applicants' Briefing

Applicants' Briefings provide potential applicants with basic information to assist them in their efforts to understand the requirements associated with applying for Public Assistance. The Applicants' Briefing schedule can be found on the: [Applicant Briefing webpage](http://www.caloes.ca.gov/RecoveryApplicantsBriefings) or [www.caloes.ca.gov/RecoveryApplicantsBriefings](http://www.caloes.ca.gov/RecoveryApplicantsBriefings)

## Important Documents

In addition to the RPA (submitted via Grants Portal), the following documents must be submitted to Cal OES in order for payments to be processed:

- Cal OES 89, Project Assurances
- Cal OES 130/130SA, Resolution

\*Must be submitted unless, within the last three years, you've submitted a Universal form identifying Agent by Title was submitted.

Download Forms: [Public Assistance Forms](http://www.caloes.ca.gov/PADocs) or [www.caloes.ca.gov/PADocs](http://www.caloes.ca.gov/PADocs)

Submit forms to: [RecoveryPayments@caloes.ca.gov](mailto:RecoveryPayments@caloes.ca.gov)

## Available Assistance – Public Assistance (PA) Program

Under the PA program, FEMA to cost share eligible costs of *Emergency Work* at 100 percent, for a designated 180 days (TBD), and 75 percent outside of the 180 days. FEMA to cost share eligible costs of *Permanent Work* at 75 percent. The State cost shares at 75 percent of the Non-Federal share with the exclusion of State Agencies, Tribal Nations, and Private Nonprofit Organizations.

EMERGENCY WORK	PERMANENT WORK
<p><b>Category A</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Debris Removal</li> </ul> <p><b>Category B</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emergency Response and Protective Measures</li> </ul>	<p><b>Category C</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roads and Bridges</li> </ul> <p><b>Category D</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water Control Facilities</li> </ul> <p><b>Category E</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building and Equipment</li> </ul> <p><b>Category F</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utilities</li> </ul> <p><b>Category G</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parks, Recreational Facilities, Other Items</li> </ul> <p><b>Category I*</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building Code &amp; Floodplain Mgmt. Admin. &amp; Enforcement</li> </ul>
<p><b>Note:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Category A</b> "Only" – Force Account Labor overtime eligible and regular time may be eligible.</li> <li>2. <b>Category B</b> Force Account Labor for Emergency Work – Only overtime eligible.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Note:</b></p> <p>Force Account Labor Permanent Work – Regular and overtime eligible. (*with the <u>exclusion of Category I</u> which is overtime ONLY).</p>

## Important Work Eligibility Information

FEMA-4856-DR-CA makes available federal funding for **Categories A – G, I.**

**RPA's must be received by the Public Assistance Division via Grants Portal no later than:**  
**Sunday, March 9, 2025**

## Grants Portal and Request for Public Assistance

Requests for Public Assistance (RPA) must be submitted via [FEMA's Grants Portal](https://grantee.fema.gov) ([grantee.fema.gov](https://grantee.fema.gov)).

To submit an RPA from an **existing** Grants Portal Account, please review FEMA's "[RPA Submission](#)" YouTube tutorial. To **register for a new** Grants Portal Account and submit an RPA for your organization, please review FEMA's YouTube tutorial "[First Time Users - Org Creation and RPA submission](#)".

