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# Fact Sheet

## HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM POST FIRE FISCAL YEARS 2017–2018

FEMA places a high priority on supporting wildfire recovery using the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) for Fire Management Assistance declarations in fiscal years 2017 and 2018. Section 20602 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 authorizes HMGP Post Fire assistance.

### Who can apply?

States, territories, and federally-recognized tribal governments with Fire Management Assistance declarations from October 01, 2016, until 11:59 pm local time September 30, 2018. Declarations can be accessed at [www.fema.gov/disasters](http://www.fema.gov/disasters) by selecting Fire Management Assistance as the declaration type. Applicants must have a FEMA-approved mitigation plan in order to receive HMGP funding.

### What project types are eligible and where?

FEMA encourages the mitigation of wildfire and related hazards, such as flood or erosion. However, HMGP is available for the risk reduction of any hazard. Funding will be made available to the declared county or counties. The project may be outside of this area as long as the risk reduction benefits the declared county or counties (e.g., watershed mitigation). If funding cannot be used in these areas, then it may be available statewide regardless of whether it benefits a declared county. Applicants must detail their respective process, including deadlines, in their HMGP Administrative Plan.

HMGP assistance will also be available for federally-recognized tribal governments with burned land from declared wildfires.

Federally-recognized tribes with land burned in Fire Management Assistance declarations may choose to apply for HMGP assistance as an applicant. Tribal governments may also choose to apply through states as subapplicants. If tribal land is not burned, subapplicant funding may be unavailable since it is prioritized for declared areas.

### When is the application period?

FEMA will send a formal funding notification letter to eligible applicants. The application period is 6 months from the date of applicant (state, territory, and/or federally-recognized tribe) funding notification, and extensions may be requested.



**Applicant Receives  
Funding Notification  
from FEMA**



**Completed Application  
Due to FEMA  
Within 6 Months**

### What guidance is available?

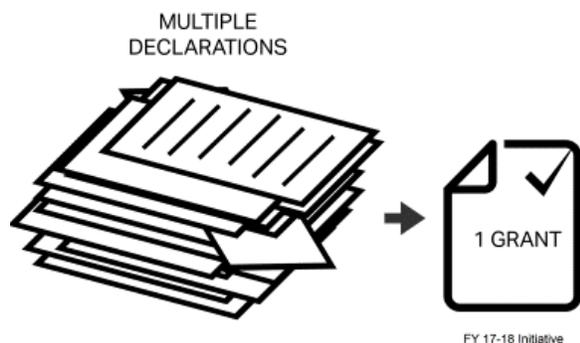
The *Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Guidance*, published in February 2015. It can be accessed at [www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279](http://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279).

Wildfire mitigation projects are detailed in the HMA Guidance Addendum.

### How is funding calculated?

FEMA will provide a national aggregate calculation based on an average of historical Fire Management Assistance designations from the last 10 years. The total amount available for HMGP for states and tribal applicants with standard state or tribal hazard mitigation plans is \$425,008 for each Fire Mitigation Assistance declaration, and \$566,667 for applicants with enhanced state or tribal hazard mitigation plans.

Funding from multiple events shall be aggregated into one grant under the first declaration. This will support larger projects, streamlined grants management, and expedited closeout.



- The HMGP funding amounts are based on a national aggregate for each Fire Management Assistance declaration and HMGP assistance shall be aggregated under the first Fire Management Assistance declaration.
- The application period is 6 months from the date of applicant (state, territory, or federally-recognized tribe) funding notification and extensions may be requested.

### Useful Links and Resources:

HMGP Post Fire: [www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program-post-fire](http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program-post-fire)

FEMA HMA: [www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance](http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance)

FEMA Mitigation Planning Program: [www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-planning](http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-planning)

Mitigation Ideas: A Resource for Reducing Risk to Natural Hazards: [www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/30627](http://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/30627)

State Hazard Mitigation Officers (SHMO): [www.fema.gov/state-hazard-mitigation-officers](http://www.fema.gov/state-hazard-mitigation-officers)

### HMGP Post Fire utilizes existing HMA Guidance with the following exceptions:

- A Fire Management Assistance declaration rather than a Presidential major disaster declaration activates HMGP assistance.
- Assistance is first available for counties that receive declarations. If this funding cannot be used, it may be available statewide. Applicants must detail their respective process, including deadlines, in their HMGP Administrative Plan.