# Federal and State Assistance for County Fire Victims

## Household Hazardous Waste Removal & Debris Removal Program

### Goal:
To provide resources to protect the health and safety of Napa County residents and our local environment during the cleanup of properties damaged by the 2017 Napa Fire Complex.

### What:

#### Phase 1 – No Cost Hazardous Waste Removal
- A local public health emergency has been declared due to the 2017 Napa Fire Complex. As a result, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) is here to help us protect the health and well-being of County residents and our local environment from the hazardous and toxic waste created by the wildfires that burned properties. In furtherance of this goal, USEPA will begin a property-by-property inspection for the removal of household hazardous wastes at properties damaged by our wildfires as soon as the week of October 23, 2017.
  - Because of the declared public health emergency, and to protect residents, our environment, including ground water sources and runoff, this is a mandatory inspection and removal of hazardous wastes from all burned properties.
  - This will be done by USEPA at no cost to property owners.
  - Property owners will need to sign a Right of Entry form (available soon).
  - For your health and safety, this removal of hazardous waste by USEPA must be completed before remaining debris can be removed.
  - Please Note: Property owners may also be ineligible to participate in the Debris Removal Program, Phase 2 explained below, if they perform any remediation of waste on property themselves.

#### Phase 2 – Debris Removal
- Also due to the declared public health emergency, property owners with properties damaged by the 2017 Napa Fire Complex will have two options for debris removal.
  - **Option 1.** Property owners may sign up for the California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) Debris Removal Program. This subsidized program will be managed by CalOES and will cost property owners minimal expense (6.25%). Homeowner insurance coverage for wildfire-generated debris may also be applied. Property owners will need to sign a Right of Entry form (available soon).
  - **Option 2.** Property owners may submit their own Debris Removal Plan, which must meet County requirements and CalOES standards. Property owners shall obtain a qualified consultant who shall prepare an application for review and approval by County. Upon approval, property owners shall secure a demolition permit in order to begin work. **Private work completed under an approved plan shall be at property owners’ expense. There will be no subsidy through CalOES.**
To receive information on registering for the CalOES Debris Removal Program or the private clean up option please call Jennifer Simpson Van Dam at (707) 299-1350. PBES will notify property owners when Phase 2 may commence. Property owners will have 30 days from notification to **either:**

1) Sign up for the CalOES Debris Removal Management; or  
2) Submit their own Debris Removal Plan in accordance with County requirements and CalOES standards.

### How:

#### In person:

**Local Assistance Center (LAC)**  
Talk to Napa County Planning, Building and Environmental Services staff  
Napa County Health and Human Services Agency, Building A Conference Center  
2751 Napa Valley Corporate Drive; Napa, CA 94558  
Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
Saturday & Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### Call:

**Local Assistance Center**  
(707) 299-2177  
Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
Saturday & Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Planning, Building and Environmental Services (PBES)**  
(707) 299-1350  
Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Required Information:

1. Property address  
2. Property owner(s) name(s)  
3. Phase 1 Right of Entry Form  
4. Phase 2
   - Option 1. Right of Entry Form  
   - Option 2. Debris Removal Application, Plan, and Demolition Permit

### Program Description:

**How the Program Works:**

Phase 1 will be completed by teams lead by USEPA. Teams will go property to property and remove all identifiable hazardous materials. Property owners are allowed to watch this process completed at their property.

Phase 2 will either be completed by CalOES or by the property owner. Licensed contractors will remove all fire debris, home foundations, and contaminated soil from each property. Property owners are allowed to watch this process completed at their property.

As more information becomes available this fact sheet will be updated.