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News Release

FEMA Extends Disaster Registration Deadline to Feb. 15

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Residents in Butte, Los Angeles and Ventura counties who suffered damages from the Camp, Hill or Woolsey wildfires have 15 more days to register for assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Friday, Feb. 15, 2019 is now the last day to register.

The State of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) requested an extension from FEMA, based on continued registrations, which indicate some are still assessing their damage and need additional time to apply for aid.

Homeowners, renters and small-business owners must sign-up by **Feb. 15** to be considered for eligibility in any of several federal disaster assistance programs. Survivors should register with FEMA even if they have insurance. Disaster assistance often provides benefits not covered by insurance.

The **Feb. 15** deadline also applies to applications for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). SBA is the federal government's primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged private property. SBA also helps businesses of all sizes, private nonprofit organizations, homeowners and renters fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and covers the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property.

FEMA's Housing Assistance and Other Needs Assistance grants for medical, dental, and funeral expenses do not require individuals to apply for an SBA loan. However, applicants referred to SBA must complete and submit an SBA loan application to be considered for additional forms of disaster assistance. Applicants who do not qualify for an SBA loan may be referred back to FEMA and may be eligible to receive Other Needs Assistance grants for these items.

The SBA Disaster Customer Service Center's toll-free number is **800-659-2955**. Help is also available by sending an e-mail to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov or by visiting www.sba.gov. Survivors may apply online at SBA's secure website: disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/.

Those impacted by the fires can register with FEMA online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or by calling **800-621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585)**. Multi-lingual operators are available. **The toll-free numbers are open daily 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. (PST)**

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Survivors can also register and apply for assistance at any Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) jointly operated by Cal OES and FEMA. DRCs are staffed by representatives of FEMA's Individual Assistance and Mitigation teams, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and other state and federal agencies, as well as nongovernmental service organizations.

DRCs are located at:

**Chico Mall
(Former Sears Store)
1982 E. 20th St.
Chico, CA 95928
9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Monday thru Saturday
Closed Sunday**

**Creative Learning Center
1080 Ewald Ct.
Paradise, CA 95969
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Monday thru Saturday Closed Sunday**

**Oroville Store Front
2140 Feather River Blvd.
Oroville, CA 95965
9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Monday thru Saturday
Closed Sunday**

**Conrad N. Hilton Foundation
30440 Agoura Rd.
Agoura Hills, CA 92362
9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Monday thru Saturday Closed Sunday
(See Note)**

Note: The Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) at the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation is transitioning to a U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Disaster Loan Outreach Center (DLOC) at close of business today.

The DRC will **cease operations at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31 at the Hilton Foundation site located at 30440 Agoura Rd. in Agoura Hills.**

An SBA DLOC will open at the **Conrad N. Hilton Foundation WESTLAKE CAMPUS, Suite #116, 1 Dole Dr., Westlake Village, CA 91362** at 9 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 1.

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FEMA's mission: Helping people before, during and after disasters.

All FEMA disaster assistance will be provided without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, sex (including sexual harassment), religion, national origin, age, disability, limited English proficiency, economic status, or retaliation. If you believe your civil rights are being violated, call 800-621-3362 or 800-462-7585(TTY/TDD).

SBA is the federal government's primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged private property. SBA helps businesses of all sizes, private nonprofit organizations, homeowners and renters fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. These disaster loans cover losses not fully compensated by insurance or other recoveries and do not duplicate benefits of other agencies or organizations. For more information, applicants may contact SBA's Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center by calling 800-659-2955, emailing disastercustomerservice@sba.gov, or visiting SBA's website at www.sba.gov/disaster. Deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals may call 800-877-8339.