



FEMA

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The Honorable Jay Inslee
Governor of Washington
P.O. Box 40002
Olympia, Washington 98504-0002

Dear Governor Inslee:

This is in response to your September 16, 2020 and October 9, 2020, requests for a major disaster declaration for the State of Washington as a result of wildfires and straight-line winds during the period of September 1-19, 2020. You specifically requested Individual Assistance for Whitman County; Public Assistance, including direct Federal assistance for nine counties and two tribes; and Hazard Mitigation statewide.

The February 4, 2021, major disaster declaration FEMA-4584-DR authorized Public Assistance for the requested counties and tribes and Hazard Mitigation statewide.

The damage to the infrastructure was significant in each of the areas designated for Public Assistance. However, based on our review of all of the information available, including the joint Individual Assistance Preliminary Damage Assessments, it has been determined that the impact to the individuals and households from this event was not of such severity and magnitude to warrant the designation of Individual Assistance under FEMA-4584-DR. Therefore, your request for Individual Assistance is denied.

This denial may be appealed within 30 days after the date of this letter. Any appeal pursuant to 44 CFR § 206.46, along with additional information justifying the appeal, should be submitted to the President through Vincent J. Maykovich, Acting Regional Administrator, FEMA Region X, located at 130 228th Street SW, Bothell, Washington 98021-8627.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David Bibo", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Bibo
Associate Administrator (Acting)
Office of Response and Recovery