

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMARY

Package Includes \$19.1 Billion for Disaster Relief

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DISASTER SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMARY BY SUBCOMMITTEE

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Farm Disaster Assistance: \$3.005 billion is provided for the USDA Office of the Secretary (OSEC) to cover producers' net exposure to losses stemming from 2018 and 2019 natural disasters. Assistance is also provided to cover blueberry and peach crop losses resulting from freezes and hurricanes in 2017 and producers impacted by Tropical Storm Cindy. USDA would administer funding through the Wildfire and Hurricane Indemnity Program (WHIP) under OSEC.

Emergency Forest Restoration Program: \$480 million is provided for the Emergency Forest Restoration Program (EFRP) for non-industrial timber restoration.

Emergency Conservation Program: \$558 million is provided for the Emergency Conservation program (ECP) for repairs to damaged farmland.

Emergency Watershed Protection Program: \$435 million is provided for the Emergency Watershed Protection Program (EWPP) for rural watershed recovery.

Rural Community Facilities: \$150 million is provided for Rural Development Community Facilities grants for small rural communities impacted by natural disasters in 2018 and 2019.

Nutrition Assistance for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI): \$25.2 million is provided for disaster nutrition assistance for the CNMIs impacted by typhoons.

Market Facilitation Program AGI Waiver: Language is included to waive the average gross income requirement for producer eligibility under the administration's Market Facilitation Program.

Puerto Rico Nutrition Assistance: \$600 million is provided to supplement disaster nutrition assistance for Puerto Rico stemming from 2017 hurricanes.

Puerto Rico Nutrition Study: \$5 million is included for an independent study, including a survey of participants, on the impact of the additional benefits provided through disaster nutrition assistance.

American Samoa Nutrition Assistance: \$18 million is provided for a grant to American Samoa for disaster nutrition assistance.

Hemp Crop Insurance: Language is included to ensure crop insurance coverage for hemp beginning in the 2020 reinsurance year.

Rural population waiver: Language is included to provide eligibility to designated communities impacted by a natural disaster for certain Rural Development programs.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES

The legislation provides \$955 million to recoup disaster related expenditures and provides emergency aid for the border crisis. This includes necessary repairs to federal facilities and equipment damaged by recent hurricanes and typhoons, including federal law enforcement and detention facilities, scientific infrastructure, and weather forecasting equipment. Funding also provides states and localities with economic development grants and coastal communities impacted by recently-declared fishery disasters with federal assistance.

Economic Development Assistance Programs:

- \$600 million for the Economic Development Administration to provide grants to communities directly impacted by hurricanes, earthquakes, typhoons, and other disasters that occurred in 2018, as well as tornadoes and floods that have occurred in 2019.

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration:

- \$11 million for assessments and removal of marine debris from impacted areas.
- \$32 million for mapping and charting affected coastlines and navigation channels.
- \$3 million to repair or replace damaged NOAA facilities and observing assets
- \$50 million for improving hurricane, flooding, and wildfire forecasting capabilities to better protect lives and property in the wake of future disasters.
- \$50 million for Title IX Fund grants.
- \$150 million for fishery disasters causing severe economic harm in coastal communities.

Department of Justice:

- United States Marshals Service Salaries and Expenses: \$1.3 million for necessary prisoner transfer costs and to repair and replace equipment, including vehicles and radios.
- Federal Bureau of Prisons Buildings and Facilities: \$28 million to repair or replace damaged buildings and facilities.
- Executive Office of Immigration Review (EOIR): \$15 million for the Legal Orientation Program (LOP) to educate detainees about the Immigration Court process and thus expedite Immigration Court proceedings.

Related Agencies:

- Legal Services Corporation: \$15 million to provide storm-related services to the Legal Services Corporation client population in affected areas.

DEFENSE

- The bill provides \$381 million to repair damage caused by Hurricane Florence to Marine Corps installations, including Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune and Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point.
- The bill provides \$670 million to the Air Force for damages caused by Hurricane Michael and floods that occurred in 2019. This additional funding will begin the process of rebuilding Tyndall Air Force Base and repair facilities at Offutt Air Force Base.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT

Corps of Engineers:

- Includes \$35 million in Investigations and \$740 million for Construction to study and build high-priority flood and storm damage reduction projects in states that were affected by Hurricanes Florence and Michael, Typhoon Mangkhut, Super Typhoon Yutu, and Tropical Storm Gita.
- Includes \$575 million in the Mississippi River and Tributaries account and \$908 million in the Operation and Maintenance account to repair damages to Corps' projects from natural disasters.
- Includes \$1 billion in the Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies account for expenses to prepare for flood, hurricane and other natural disasters and support emergency operations, repairs, and other activities in response to such disasters.

Department of the Interior:

- Includes \$350 thousand for the Central Utah Project for wildfire remediation.
- Includes \$15.5 million for the Bureau of Reclamation for fire remediation and suppression emergency assistance.

FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT

The bill provides \$91 million for the General Services Administration to repair federal buildings damaged as a result of Hurricane Florence.

HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard: The bill provides \$526 million for the Coast Guard to repair and upgrade Coast Guard facilities damaged by recent disasters and provide for response and recovery operations costs.

Federal Emergency Management Agency: Includes a provision encouraging FEMA to use a stricter, more rigid methodology and codifying what costs FEMA should consider when determining whether to repair or rebuild facilities damaged by certain storms.

INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Department of the Interior: \$311.9 million for the repair and reconstruction of critical infrastructure and immediate conservation needs resulting from calendar year 2018 hurricanes, flooding, wildfires, and earthquakes. Funding is included for the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and the National Park Service (NPS) to replace and repair damaged equipment and facilities as well as to address urgent historic preservation needs and to conduct assessments that will aid in recovery and rebuilding efforts. Funding is also included for coastal resiliency projects.

Environmental Protection Agency: \$414 million is included to address impacts of Hurricanes Florence and Michael, Typhoon Yutu, and calendar year 2018 wildfires and earthquakes. Funds provided will provide resources for wastewater and drinking water infrastructure resiliency projects, waste disposal needs, issues with underground storage tanks, and technical assistance.

U.S. Forest Service: \$720 million is provided to repay funds borrowed from non-fire accounts to cover the cost of FY 2018 wildfire suppression activities. Also included is \$134 million to repair national forest visitor and administrative facilities and roads and trails that were severely damaged in Hurricanes Florence and Michael, as well funds to take action to reduce hazardous fuels on federal and non-federal lands, and to prevent an increased risk of significant wildfires from timber resources that were decimated in the storms.

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences: \$1 million is provided for worker training programs to train workers engaged in activities related to hazardous materials and waste generation, containment, removal, and emergency response.

LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES

The bill provides \$536 million for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education to support ongoing disaster responses in areas affected by hurricanes, volcanic eruptions, typhoons, wildfires, and earthquakes in 2018, and tornadoes and flooding in 2019.

Department of Labor – \$50 million

- \$49.5 million for disaster response economic recovery through the Dislocated Worker National Reserve, including up to \$1 million for other Department of Labor disaster recovery efforts such as worker protection.
- \$500,000 for Office of the Inspector General for oversight of response efforts.

Department of Health and Human Services – \$321 million

- \$80 million for Community Health Centers to support construction, equipment purchase, operational support, and other projects as necessary.
- \$20 million for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to assess and mitigate environmental hazards associated with the covered disasters.
- \$100 million to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to increase access to mental health and substance abuse treatment and prevention for those impacted by the covered disasters.
- \$30 million for the Child Care and Development Block grant, including for repairing damaged child care centers.
- \$55 million for Head Start, including for repairing damaged Head Start centers.
- \$5 million for child welfare services.
- \$25 million for the Community Services Block Grant, flexible funding to local organizations to provide a variety of services for vulnerable populations.
- \$5 million for Federal administrative expenses.
- \$1 million to HHS Inspector General for oversight of activities related to allocating response funding.

Department of Education – \$165 million

- \$162 million to: (1) help restart operations at elementary and secondary schools and colleges and universities in areas damaged by natural disasters; (2) support school districts and colleges and universities outside of the affected areas receiving students displaced by a

- natural disaster; and (3) otherwise provide services to students affected by the disaster.
- \$3 million for Federal administration and oversight of activities.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Government Accountability Office (GAO):

- The bill provides \$10 million for GAO to conduct audits and investigations related to Federal spending for 2018 disasters and other disasters as declared pursuant to the Stafford Act.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Military Construction:

- Navy and Marine Corps – \$600.0 million for planning and design [and construction] of projects to replace facilities damaged by Hurricanes Florence and Michael.
- Air Force – \$1.0 billion for planning and design and construction of projects to replace facilities damaged by Hurricane Michael and 2019 floods.
- Army National Guard – \$42.4 million to replace facilities damaged by Hurricanes Florence and Michael.

Department of Veterans Affairs:

- Medical Facilities – \$3.0 million to repair Veterans Health Administration facilities damaged by Hurricanes Florence and Michael, as well as to address the effects of Typhoons Mangkhut and Yutu.

TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Department of Transportation:

- \$10.5 million for the Federal Transit Administration for emergency relief program.
- \$1.6 billion for Federal-aid Highways emergency relief program.
- Language providing Federal Aviation Administration with access to unused 2017 emergency funds for 2018 disasters.

Department of Housing and Urban Development:

- \$2.4 billion for Community Development Block Grants for 2017, 2018, and 2019 disasters.
- Permits states that received funding for Hurricane Matthew to use the funds interchangeably with funds for Hurricane Florence.
- Requires HUD to publish administrative requirements for mitigation grants appropriated in Public Law 115-123 within 90 days.

EXTENSIONS

- The National Flood Insurance Program, extended through the end of the fiscal year.