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From: Dennis Cron
Sent: Wed 6/17/2015 9:24:37 AM
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Subject: RE: drought documenation
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Yeah, yeah, yeah, keeping dailies is something they do already, that's not the issue. It's collating the information to break it out separately from other mundane tasks that is not done and until the unlikely proclamation that OES doesn't really want to request be issued, "it won't be collated. You'll have to do that with your disaster recovery request instead. Not asking for a disaster declaration right now must have something to do with upcoming fire season and contract negotiation talks and funding commitments for CalOES.

From: Joseph Ramos
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2015 10:16 AM
To: Dennis Cron; Mike Cady
Cc: Lance Miller; Ralph Wright; Frank Robinson; Mike Molinari
Subject: RE: drought documenation

Definitely don't want to create more work for any staff and this should be something that we are already doing. If anything it is just a good reminder to make sure staff is completing the daily's appropriately and if (as you mentioned a big *if*) a declaration is declared we will already be ahead of the game. Also great practice for staff for when a disaster of any kind hits our area.

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From: Dennis Cron
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2015 9:31 AM
To: Joseph Ramos; Mike Cady
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Subject: RE: drought documenation

Okay, this is just more stupidity from the state. Keep track of all your efforts and turf removal expenses for cost recovery in the event of a presidential declaration, but CalOES has no intention of asking for a declaration. Spend more money setting up all this tracking effort, for what? The State already says they have no plans to ask the question!!!

From: Joseph Ramos
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2015 8:48 AM

To: Mike Cady
Cc: Lance Miller; Ralph Wright; Dennis Cron; Frank Robinson; Mike Molinari
Subject: FW: drought documentation

Mike,

At a recent meeting a discussion came up regarding documentation on drought related work being done by cities/town's. It is being advised by County OES as well as Cal OES that staff document all work done related to the drought, such as removal of turf, changing of sprinkler heads etc. If a Presidential Declaration is declared at any time there may be a possibility to recover some of the cost related to work being done due to the drought. Now I assume documentation is already being done through staff's daily logs. I just wanted to reiterate the importance of those documents with regards to the drought. Please keep this in mind when conducting your next staff meeting and explaining the importance of good documentation. Which includes the basic Who, What, When and Where. Mike Molinari attended a cost recovery training with myself a few weeks ago so he is well aware of the documentation needed. There really shouldn't be any additional documentation from your staff rather just ensuring that they are completing their logs consistently. Also review the below email thread for additional information from Cal OES. Thanks for making sure staff is completing their daily logs and let me know if you have any questions.

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From: Serrano, Cindy [<mailto:cindy.serrano@oes.sbcounty.gov>]
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To: Joseph Ramos
Subject: RE: drought documentation

Joseph,

I apologize for the delay in a response but wanted to be sure I am capturing all the current info. Below is an email we received from Sonia Brown, our Cal OES Territorial Rep, regarding costs that jurisdictions should be tracking. We are trying to schedule a rep from Cal OES/Recovery Branch to present at the August OACC meeting to discuss these tracking mechanisms, why, how, etc. Cal OES is working on developing a form to track costs but not yet done. For now, daily forms would be fine. Additionally, CalOES is very cautious by indicating that there is no intent to ask for a Presidential Declaration at this time ... this is all just in case. We could go like this for another year!

BTW, the drought conference call that is referenced below are the weekly calls with Cal OES and the OAs.

FYI

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Subject: Drought Damage Assessment Question

Based on the drought conference today, June 1, I decided to share this question from Orange County EMB with all of the OAs for your information.

Question:

If jurisdictions, while working to meet their conservation goals, limit outdoor watering, causing medians, parks, and public landscaped areas to die, are these areas eligible for reimbursement for damage? Specifically, would these items be eligible:

- •Debris clearance for dead vegetation
- •Damaged plumbing, pump and/or hydration systems
- •Replanting of new vegetation to restore public landscaped areas

Response:

- These types of costs are not eligible under the present Executive Order B-29-15.
- If there is a new Governor's Proclamation which includes all categories, then the following would be eligible:
 - Emergency Work (Category A-B) – debris removal (*debris clearance of dead vegetation*)
 - Permanent Work (Category C-G) – restoration with discretion (*replanting of new vegetation to restore public landscaped areas*)
- If there is a Director's Concurrence, only Permanent Work (restoration) would be eligible, but NO debris removal.
- If there is a Presidential:

- Declaration of an Emergency – includes emergency work and possibly debris removal
- Declaration of a Major Disaster – includes all types and categories Emergency Work & Debris and Permanent Work (restoration of eligible facilities).
- But under a Presidential Declaration we face the same issue with regard to vegetation, which essentially mirrors CDAA regulation:
 - CA Code of Regulations, Title 19 § 2965. Other Eligible Work

(e) Trees, Shrubs and Vegetation

The replacement of trees, shrubs and vegetation that provide an engineered purpose may be eligible for reimbursement at the minimum level necessary to restore the engineered function. Engineered purpose for trees, shrubs and vegetation typically include wind barriers, erosion control, and traffic screening or separation. *The replacement of vegetation is limited.*

NOTE: This is why it is important to track your costs for future consideration for the Governor to request a Presidential if it is warranted.

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From: Joseph Ramos [<mailto:JRamos@applevalley.org>]

Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2015 12:00 PM

To: Serrano, Cindy

Subject: drought documenation

Cindy,

One of the speakers last week suggested that each town/city document any drought related work being done to conserve water. The suggestion was based on the possibility of a presidential declaration of an emergency. What is your suggestion on this and would the daily forms that our staff use be sufficient? Thank you for any clarification.

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