

Public Assistance Program FEMA-4905-DR-ID 2025 Straight-Line Winds

Idaho Office of Emergency Management
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**FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
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Applicants Briefing



Declaration Areas/Incident Period

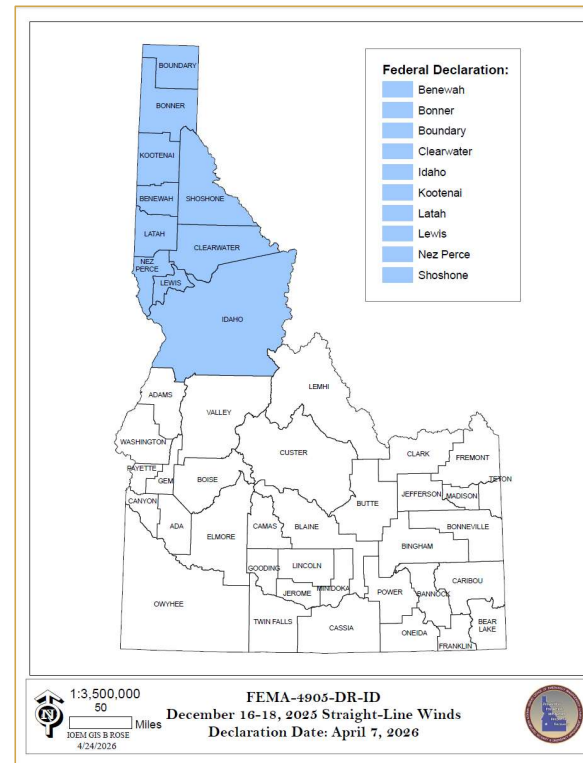
Declaration Date: April 7, 2026

Incident Period: December 16-18, 2025

Declared Geographic Areas:

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Benewah County	Bonner County
Boundary County	Clearwater County
Idaho County	Kootenai County
Latah County	Lewis County
Nez Perce County	Shoshone County



Who Is Involved?

- Applicant (Sub-Recipient) - State, Local, Tribal Organizations (SLTs), as well as Private Non-Profit Organizations (PNPs) providing critical services (e.g. electrical cooperatives, hospitals, etc.)
- State (Recipient) - Idaho Office of Emergency Management
- Federal - FEMA, Region 10



Eligibility for Public Assistance

Eligibility is based upon the following criteria:

- Type of Applicant
- Type of Facility
- Type of Cost
- Type of Work



Applicant Eligibility

Eligible **APPLICANTS** include:

- State government agencies
- Local governments/taxing authorities
- Federally recognized Tribal governments
- Private, non-profit organizations that provide critical governmental services



Private Non-Profit Entities (Critical Services)

Private Non-Profit (PNP) facilities that provide the following critical services are eligible for Public Assistance (include, but not limited to):

- Fire / Emergency Rescue
- Medical Treatment
- Power, Water, & Sewer Utilities
- Communications Systems



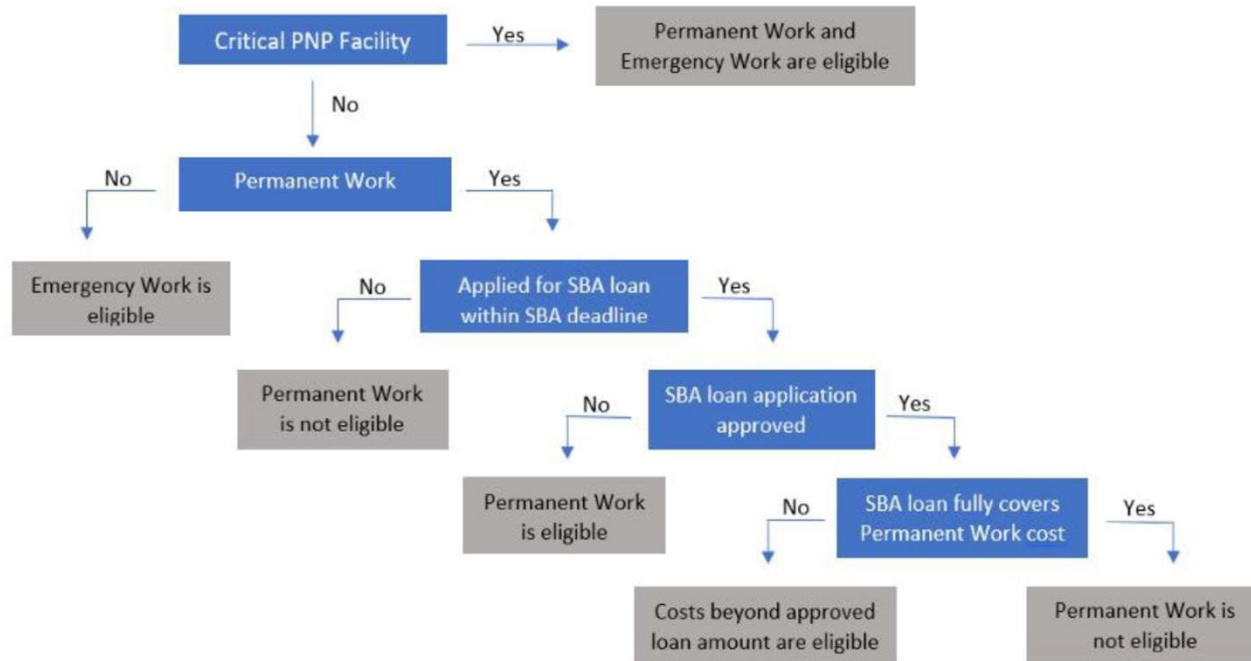
Private Non-Profit Entities (Noncritical, but Essential Services)

Private Non-Profit (PNP) facilities that provide the following noncritical, but essential services, are eligible for Public Assistance (include, but not limited to):

- Community Centers
- Medical-Related Services
- Essential Social Services
- **Requirement for SBA Loan Application**



Private Non-Profit Entities Process Flow



Facility Eligibility

Eligible **FACILITY** criteria:

- Is the legal responsibility of eligible applicant
- Is located in designated disaster area
- Is not under the specific authority of another federal agency
- Is in active use at the time of the disaster



Cost Eligibility

Eligible **COST** criteria:

- Are reasonable and necessary to accomplish the work
- Comply with federal, state, & local requirements for procurement
- Must account for duplicate benefits (e.g. insurance coverage, etc.)



Cost Eligibility - Continued

Labor:

- Force Account (wage & fringe)
- Contract

Equipment

- Force Account Equipment
- Rented Equipment

Materials/Supplies

- Necessary to complete the work
- Purchased or Stock Materials



Cost Share

- **Federal:** 75% of Eligible Costs
- **Non-Federal:** 25% of Eligible Costs



- **SLT:** Currently responsible for 40% of Non-Federal Share
 - State contributes 60% of the Non-Federal Share (of actual costs incurred)
- **Private, Non-Profit Entity:** Responsible for 100% of the Non-Federal Share of Eligible Costs



Work Eligibility

Eligible **Work** criteria:

- Must be the direct result of the declared major disaster or emergency
- Must be within the designated disaster area
- Must be the legal responsibility of an eligible applicant at the time of the disaster
- Must be reasonable to return damaged site/facility to its pre-disaster design/function and capacity



Emergency Work

- A - Debris Removal (Eligible for Straight/Overtime Labor Costs)
- B - Emergency Protective Measures (Extraordinary Costs)

Emergency work must be completed within 6 months from the declaration date.

Applicants will have the opportunity to create their own A & B Projects through the Grants Portal Streamlined Application Process.



Permanent Work

- C - Roads and Bridge Systems
- D - Water Control Facilities
- E - Public Buildings/Equipment
- F - Public Utilities
- G - Other (Parks, Recreation)

Permanent work must be completed within 18 months from the declaration date.



Hazard Mitigation - Section 406

- Hazard mitigation is any sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property from natural hazards and their effects. FEMA has authority to provide PA funding for cost-effective hazard mitigation measures for facilities damaged by the incident.
- 406 Mitigation is available only for Permanent Work (Categories C-G).




Environmental and Historic Preservation (EHP)

The Role of Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) during a presidentially declared disaster is to ensure legal compliance of FEMA funded grants by:

- Working with Public Assistance to identify any potential environmental concerns or questions resulting from proposed FEMA funded grants;
- Conducting federally mandated environmental and historic compliance review of FEMA funded grants; and
- Consulting with other federal/state and Tribal resource/regulatory agencies (as required)



EHP Green Sheet



Federal Emergency Management Agency
ENVIRONMENTAL & HISTORIC CONSIDERATIONS

Idaho Straight Line Winds
December 16-18, 2025; DR4905ID; declared April 7, 2026

Environmental and Historic Preservation (EHP) Compliance During Disaster Recovery

FEMA awards are federally funded; all Applicants must comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws, executive orders, regulations, and permitting requirements. Early coordination with regulatory agencies will address compliance concerns and expedite funding. See the last page of this brochure for contact information.

The most important message is that the FEMA EHP staff is committed to helping you identify and meet your environmental compliance responsibilities. Be sure to:

- Identify all potential environmental and historic concerns, problems, or questions and discuss these with EHP staff as soon as possible.
- Contact permitting agencies to determine if you will need approvals or permits.
- Comply with all permit conditions.
- Submit all relevant permits and correspondence with state or federal agencies with your FEMA grant application.

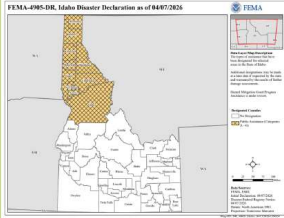
Our work is under the direction of FEMA Federal Coordinating Officer Vincent Maykovich. We coordinate closely with the Idaho Office of Emergency Management (IOEM) State Coordinating Officer Ben Roeber and his staff. As the Regional Environmental Officer, I pledge to assist you in understanding and complying with all EHP requirements. Eric Welch will be our EHP liaison for this incident.

Respectfully,
Science Kliner,
Regional Environmental Officer

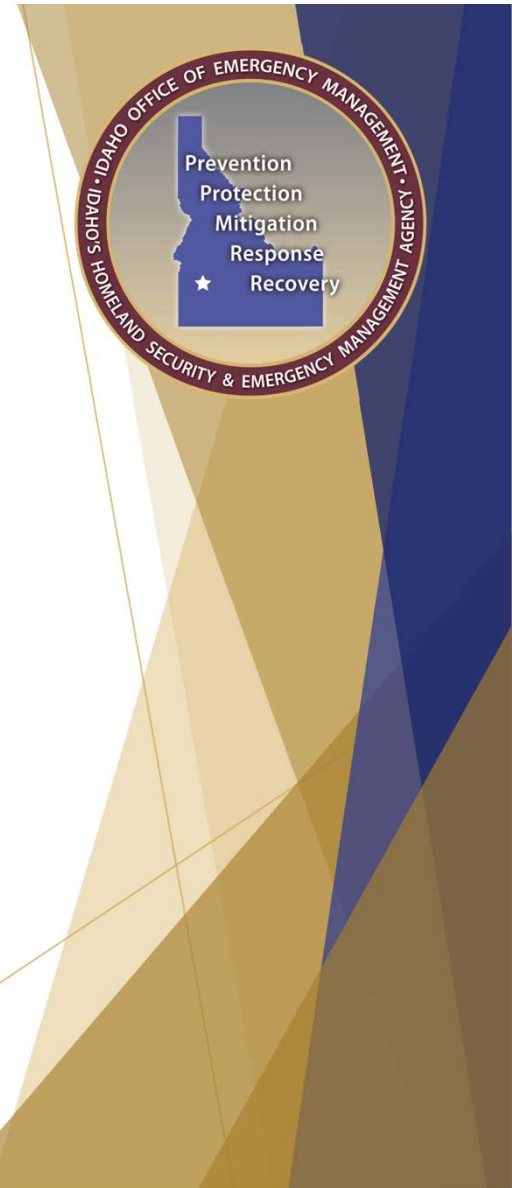
Help us help you! Provide the following:

- Complete and accurate project description (scope of work)
- Location of work including accurate GPS coordinates (latitude & longitude) and address, if available.
- Dates of construction for all built structures, if known, e.g., buildings, bridges, utility structures.
- Clear, color photos which identify scale and location of damage and/or repair.
- Existing environmental documentation. Include permits and approvals and any applicable management plans.
- Sketches, design plans, or site maps showing limits of ground disturbance, staging areas, and access routes.

Failure to comply with applicable federal, Tribal, state, and local environmental and historic preservation laws could jeopardize or delay potential federal funding.



Important Note: Obtaining permits is the sole responsibility of the Applicant. Required permits and notifications must be issued prior to initiating any site activity. If the project is an emergency action to address immediate threats to life or property, regulatory agencies should be notified as soon as possible, and documentation should be submitted to FEMA EHP for review.



Project Minimum & Small vs. Large Project

Project minimum is \$4,100

Small Project

- Projects less than \$1,093,800

Large Projects

- Projects of \$1,093,800 and above



Documentation Requirements

Organization Labor/Equipment

- Pre-Disaster Personnel Policy
- Employee names and hourly rates
- Employee daily activity report or timesheets - identifies the type of work performed, site location, how many hours performing task(s) and associated equipment used
- Fringe Benefit info
- Equipment inventory -make, model, horse power / size of equipment and the hourly cost of each piece of equipment
- Invoices / proof of payment
 - **Refer to Checklist**

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Documentation Requirements Cont'd

Contractual

- Description of work performed (including location)
- Starting and ending dates of contract work
- Pre-disaster procurement policy
- Copy of contract(s)
- Contractors invoice(s) / proof of payment
- Cost/invoice associated with Mutual Aid Agreements

Refer to Checklist

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Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA)

Up to 5% of projects total, based on actual expense

Activities eligible as management costs include those related to developing eligible PA projects and receiving reimbursement. These activities may include, but are not limited to:

- a. Preliminary Damage Assessments
- b. Meetings regarding the PA Program or overall PA damage claim
- c. Organizing PA damage sites into logical groups
- d. Preparing correspondence
- e. Site inspections
- f. Travel expenses
- g. Developing the detailed site-specific damage description
- h. Evaluating Section 406 hazard mitigation measures
- i. Preparing Small and Large Projects
- j. Reviewing PWs
- k. Collecting copying, filing, or submitting documents to support a claim
- l. Requesting disbursement of PA funds
- m. Training



Deadlines

- Applying for a Public Assistance Grant

Applicant must submit a Request for Public Assistance (RPA) within **30 days** of the designation of the declared disaster area.

- Deadline for this disaster is May 7, 2026

- Identification of Damages

Applicants must identify all damages related to the project within **60 days** of the Recovery Scoping Meeting.

- TBD

- Appeals

Any determination related to Federal assistance may be appealed. The appeal must be submitted to the Recipient within **60 days** of receipt of notice of the action which is being appealed.



Next Steps - Recovery Scoping Meeting (RSM), Damage Identification & Project Development

- IOEM/FEMA working to consolidate process for DR-4905-ID to move quickly to project development
 - Schedule time for project scoping/damage inventory

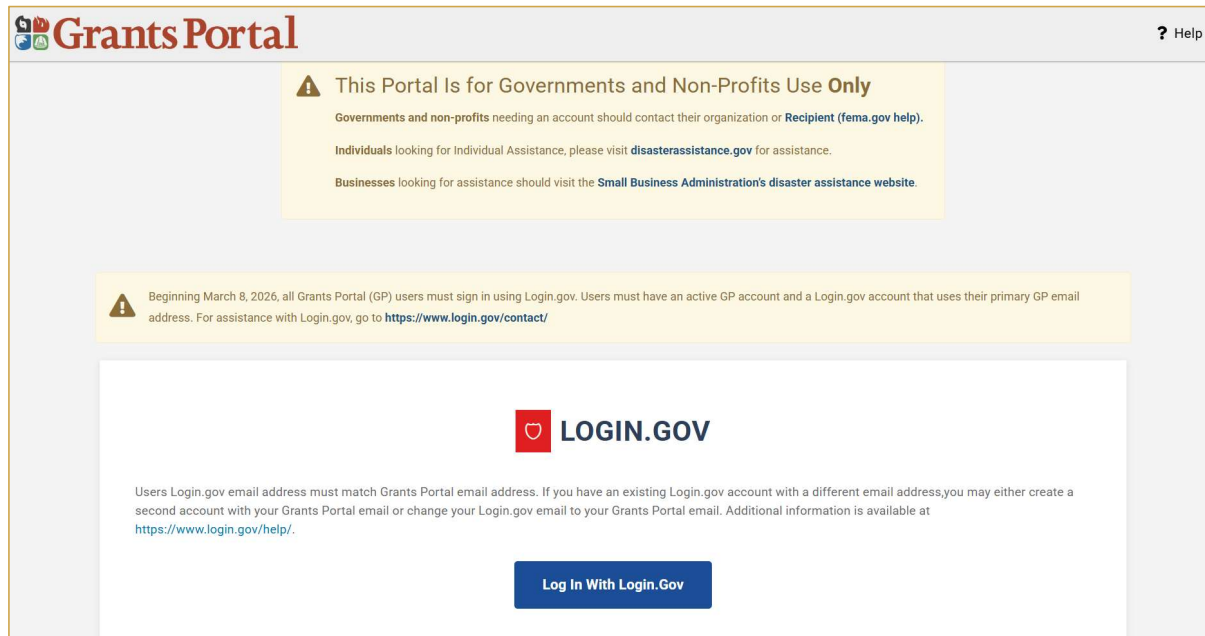
Grants Portal

- Web-based tool through which all FEMA project documentation and determinations will flow
- Track all projects, documentation, and information through portal - live site, 24/7
- Upload documentation even without disaster declaration, such as:
 - Union pay policy, Insurance policy, Procurement policy, Equipment inventory list
- Each applicant can have one or more registered users
 - Registered users may have different roles and rights
- Sign up or log in at: <https://grantee.fema.gov/>



Login.gov

- As of March 2026, all Grants Portal users must sign in using Login.gov

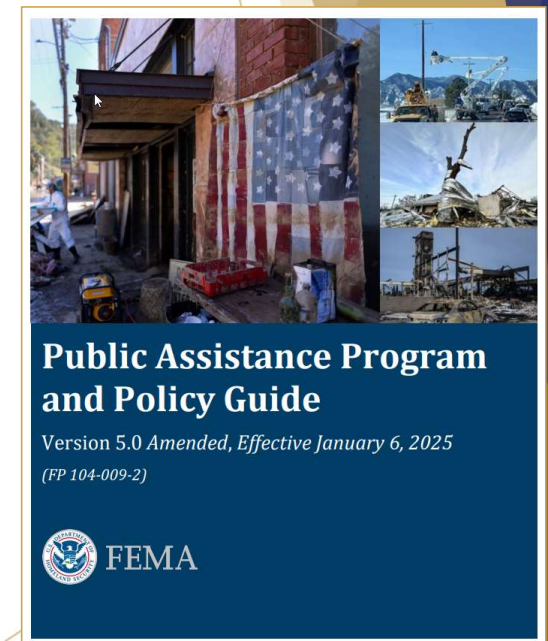


The screenshot shows the Grants Portal interface. At the top left is the "Grants Portal" logo with a small icon to its left. At the top right is a "? Help" link. Below the header is a yellow warning box with a triangle icon containing an exclamation mark. The text in the box reads: "This Portal Is for Governments and Non-Profits Use Only". Below this are three lines of text: "Governments and non-profits needing an account should contact their organization or Recipient (fema.gov help).", "Individuals looking for Individual Assistance, please visit disasterassistance.gov for assistance.", and "Businesses looking for assistance should visit the Small Business Administration's disaster assistance website." Below the warning box is another yellow information box with a triangle icon containing an exclamation mark. The text in this box reads: "Beginning March 8, 2026, all Grants Portal (GP) users must sign in using Login.gov. Users must have an active GP account and a Login.gov account that uses their primary GP email address. For assistance with Login.gov, go to <https://www.login.gov/contact/>". Below the information box is a white box containing the "LOGIN.GOV" logo (a red square with a white shield icon) and the text "Users Login.gov email address must match Grants Portal email address. If you have an existing Login.gov account with a different email address, you may either create a second account with your Grants Portal email or change your Login.gov email to your Grants Portal email. Additional information is available at <https://www.login.gov/help/>". At the bottom of this white box is a blue button with the text "Log In With Login.Gov".



Public Assistance Guidance

- New Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide (PAPPG)
 - https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_pa_pappg-5.0-amended.pdf
- FEMA Equipment Rates
 - https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_pa_schedule-equipment-rates_2025.pdf



Procurement Requirements

Non-State Applicants (Tribal and local governments and PNPs):

- Follow their own documented procurement procedures
- Comply with applicable State, Territorial, Tribal, and local government laws
- Conform to applicable Federal law and standards
- The most restrictive of the above policies and procedures apply

Refer to Checklist at

<https://ioem.idaho.gov/disaster-dr-4905-id/>

Other Resources

- <https://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-policy-and-guidance>
- <https://www.fema.gov/procurement-disaster-assistance-team>
- www.ecfr.gov See 2 C.F.R. especially 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.318 through 200.326



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Questions / Discussion

