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EDD receives \$8.8 million for 2019 winter storm cleanup projects

Funding will provide 420 unemployed workers with temporary employment on storm-related repair projects

SACRAMENTO – The California Employment Development Department (EDD) today announced it has received a National Disaster Dislocated Worker Grant for up to \$8.8 million to help counties recover from damage caused by severe winter storms. The funding was approved by the U.S. Department of Labor and will provide temporary jobs for 420 unemployed workers who lost work because of the storms that occurred between February 13 and March 1, 2019.

“These funds will help put workers affected by the winter storms back to work repairing damage to infrastructure in their local communities,” said EDD Director Patrick Henning.

The impacted counties include Colusa, Del Norte, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Mendocino, Modoc, Riverside, Shasta and Trinity. Project operators in local workforce development areas will use the grant funds to provide employment support services and establish temporary jobs for workers unemployed or underemployed due to the storms.

Work projects will include the cleanup and repair of damages to public facilities, infrastructure and tribal lands located within the disaster areas. Public agencies and non-profit organizations that suffered property damage from these storms should contact their local project operator for assistance. Assigned contacts will assist eligible organizations in the process of becoming worksite partners.

The EDD recommends that all individuals interested in applying for the temporary jobs register at a local [America’s Job Center of California](#)SM location. These offices offer no-fee employment services and training resources and will guide applicants through the registration process.

Please refer to the table below for more information on the projects, services provided, and project operators’ contact information.

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2019 Severe Winter Storms National Disaster Dislocated Worker Grant			
Project Operator	Counties Served	Contact	Services Provided
Center for Employment Opportunities	Riverside	Michael Wahome, Director mwahome@ceoworks.org (909) 486-2788	Removal of mud flows; landscaping; replanting; repair/demolition of damaged structures
Workforce Alliance of North Bay	Lake Mendocino	Laura Davis, Operations Officer ldavis@workforcealliancenorthbay.org (707) 699-1952	Repair of public lands/infrastructure; debris removal; parking lot repair
North Central Counties Consortium	Colusa Glenn	Cindy Newton, Executive Director cnewton@ncen.org (530) 751-8202	Repair of public lands/infrastructure; debris removal and repair; tree removal; parking lot repair
Northern California Indian Development Council, Inc.	Del Norte Humboldt Mendocino Riverside Shasta Trinity	Greg Gehr, Executive Director NDWG@ncidc.org (707) 445-8451	Debris removal; repair of public lands/infrastructure; repair of recreational facilities and other damaged Tribal and public structures
Northern Rural Training and Employment Consortium	Del Norte Modoc Shasta Trinity	Michael Cross, Executive Director mcross@ncen.org (530) 892-9600	Debris removal; repair of damaged drainage systems; clean-up of downed trees and corresponding damage to structures; clean-up of rocks and downed trees on Highway 197 and Highway 101