

FIRE MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE GRANT

Eligibility Checklist

Criteria

The following criteria **<u>must</u>** be met before a FMAG can be considered:

- Threat to lives and improved property, including threats to critical facilities/infrastructure, and critical watershed areas, **and**
- State and local firefighting resources are being exhausted, and
- High fire danger exists as indicated by nationally accepted indices, and
- Potential major economic impact.

The following conditions must also exist at the time of the request:

- Fire or fire complex must be burning uncontrolled, and
- Must be on non-federal public or private forest or grassland, and
- Must threaten such destruction as would constitute a major disaster

Fire Cost Thresholds

Before an initial grant award to the state under a FMAG declaration can be approved, the state must demonstrate that total eligible costs for the declared fire meet or exceed either the individual fire cost threshold, which is applied to a single fire, or the cumulative fire cost threshold, which recognizes numerous fires burning throughout the state. Under the cumulative fire cost threshold, assistance will only be provided for the declared fire responsible for meeting or exceeding the cumulative fire cost threshold and any future declared fires for that calendar year.

In Minnesota, for calendar year 2013, the thresholds are:

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\$363,319 (Individual) – Met or exceeded \$1,089,957 (Cumulative) Met or exceeded Actual at time of request: ______ Actual at time of request: ______