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Butte County Obtains an Additional \$3.1 Million in Disaster Recovery Grant

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Oroville, CA – Butte County officials announced that they have been awarded an additional grant of \$3,093,980 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Community Development to help recover from the devastating summer fires of 2008. This is in addition to the \$4,300,000 that was awarded to the County in December 2010, bringing the total awarded to Butte County to \$7,393,980. The grant will allow the County to help low income residents who suffered damage from the 2008 fires to repair or rebuild their homes. The grant will also help the County improve roadways in the Concow area that were heavily damaged by the fires.

“This is great news for our community,” said Bill Connelly, District 1 Supervisor. “The fires in 2008 destroyed 308 homes and devastated many families. Many of them do not have the financial ability to rebuild, and the additional grant will help more fire victims. I want to thank the Board of Supervisors for their continued support for our fire victims and County staff who worked hard to obtain this grant.”

Butte County officials have scheduled two community meetings to provide information about the grant as shown below:

September 15, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. – Grange Hall, 4122 Big Bend Road, Yankee Hill

September 19, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. – Paradise Town Council Chambers, 5555 Skyway, Paradise

Officials will also send newsletters to all property owners impacted by the 2008 wildfires to inform them about the grant.

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