



## Legislation Text

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**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Department or Agency Name(s):** County Administrator's Office  
**Staff Name and Phone Number:** Peter Bruland, 565-3086  
**Vote Requirement:** 4/5th  
**Supervisorial District(s):** All

**Title:**

2019 Kincade Fire Disaster Fund

**Recommended Action:**

Adopt a resolution adjusting the Fiscal Year 2019-20 adopted budget to establish appropriations in the new Kincade Fire Disaster Fund funded from the \$2.5 million economic uncertainty balance to finance initial response activities and services to the community.

(4/5<sup>th</sup> Vote Required)

**Executive Summary:**

This item establishes the initial fiscal mechanism to finance and track costs associated with initial response to the 2019 Kincade Fire. Initial funding of \$2,500,000 will come from funding set aside by the Board of Supervisors from FY 2018-19 General Fund Year End Fund Balance for the Economic Uncertainty Fund, which was established to provide funding for emerging difficulties, including disasters.

**Discussion:**

On October 23, 2019, a new wildfire broke on John Kincade Road and Burned Mountain Road, northeast of Geyserville. Known as the Kincade Wildfire. As of this writing, about 77,000 acres had burned, approximately 180,000 residents had evacuated from either mandatory and/or advisory evacuation areas, and as of midnight on Wednesday 10/30/2019 over 2,000 residents were accounted amongst 20 shelters operated by the county, cities, and out of county partners.

A local emergency proclamation was issued by the County Administrator on October 24, 2019, which the Board will review and ratify on today's agenda under a separate item. In addition, October 24, Governor Newsom issued a state emergency proclamation for the counties of Sonoma and Los Angeles due to the effects of the Kincade and Tick fires (

[<https://www.gov.ca.gov/2019/10/25/governor-newsom-declares-state-of-emergency-in-sonoma-and-los-angeles-counties-due-to-fires/>](https://www.gov.ca.gov/2019/10/25/governor-newsom-declares-state-of-emergency-in-sonoma-and-los-angeles-counties-due-to-fires/) .

This item establishes a dedicated fund and budget to finance costs associated with initial response activities. Initial funding of \$2,500,000 is being programmed from the set aside established by the Board of Supervisors out of the FY 2018-19 General Fund Year End Fund close of books available fund balance and established as the Economic Uncertainty Fund, which was established to provide funding for emerging difficulties, including disasters.

As of this writing, a comprehensive county agency cost estimate is not yet available. And, thanks to the Governor’s proclamation support, it is expected that the state will reimburse 75% of eligible response cost.

**Prior Board Actions:**

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>FY 19-20 Adopted</b>	<b>FY20-21 Projected</b>	<b>FY 21-22 Projected</b>
Budgeted Expenses			
Additional Appropriation Requested	\$2,500,000		
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$2,500,000</b>		
<b>Funding Sources</b>			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal			
Fees/Other			
Use of Fund Balance	\$2,500,000		
Contingencies			
<b>Total Sources</b>	<b>\$2,500,000</b>		

**Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:**

Funding for the Kincade Fire Disaster Fund will come from FY 2018-19 year end General Fund Balance, which was designated for an Economic Uncertainty Fund to provide funding for unexpected emergent needs such as disaster response and recovery.

<b>Staffing Impacts:</b>			
<b>Position Title (Payroll Classification)</b>	<b>Monthly Salary Range (A-I Step)</b>	<b>Additions (Number)</b>	<b>Deletions (Number)</b>

**Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):**

None

**Attachments:**

Budgetary Resolution

**Related Items “On File” with the Clerk of the Board:**

None