

# BUDGET LETTER

<b>SUBJECT:</b> 2019 WILDFIRES & PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFF COST REPORTING	<b>NUMBER:</b> 20-01
<b>REFERENCES:</b> GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 8690.6	<b>DATE ISSUED:</b> January 31, 2020
	<b>SUPERSEDES:</b> 19-31 & 19-32

TO: Agency Secretaries  
Department Directors  
Departmental Budget and Accounting Officers  
Department of Finance Budget and Accounting Staff

FROM: DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

This Budget Letter (BL) informs departments of an end date for 2019 wildfires and Public Safety Power Shutoff-related cost reporting pursuant to BLs 19-31 and 19-32, respectively.

## **Background**

On October 30, 2019, the Department of Finance issued BLs 19-31 and 19-32 to collect information on state costs related to specified 2019 wildfires and Public Safety Power Shutoff events. Monthly reporting commenced November 5, 2019 with subsequent reporting requested by the 5th of each month until notice of an end date was provided.

## **Final Cost Reporting**

This BL serves as notification that the February 5, 2020 reporting of total costs for these 2019 events serves as the final financial reporting period to Finance for this purpose. Any related costs not reported by February 5, 2020 should be addressed through the regular budget process.

Additional points of clarification:

- This financial reporting does not take the place of or affect any ongoing requirements for State Operations Center reporting that each department may provide to the Office of Emergency Services.
- The reporting of costs is not a guarantee of funding and departments are encouraged to work closely with their Finance Budget Analyst for any funding needs or questions.
- The final submission should reflect actual total costs, not incremental or estimated costs.

If you have questions regarding this BL, please contact your assigned Finance Budget Analyst.

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