

# BUDGET LETTER

<b>SUBJECT:</b> WILDFIRE COST REPORTING	<b>NUMBER:</b> 19-20
<b>REFERENCES:</b> GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 8690.6	<b>DATE ISSUED:</b> August 1, 2019
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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 wildfire-related cost reporting.

## **Background**

On November 30, 2018, the Department of Finance issued Budget Letter 18-31 to track overall state costs and make informed financial decisions for state departments mission tasked by the Office of Emergency Services with various response and recovery activities related to the Camp fire in Butte County and the Hill and Woolsey fires in Los Angeles and Ventura Counties. Monthly reporting commenced December 5, 2018 with subsequent reporting by the 5th of each month until further notice was provided.

## **Final Cost Reporting**

This BL serves as notification that the July 5, 2019 reporting of total costs serves as the final financial reporting to Finance for this purpose. All costs not reported by July 5, 2019 related to the Camp, Hill, and/or Woolsey fires should be instead proposed for consideration in the 2020-21 budget development process.

Additional points of clarification:

- This financial reporting does not take the place of or affect any ongoing requirements for daily 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.

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

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