

# FEDERAL EMERGENCY FUNDING

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**Funding source: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Emergency Relief (ER) Program. Note that this is a Congressionally Appropriated program, not a standard Fed-Aid Program.**

## Requirements:

- Significant damage occurs (coordination with FWHA begins)
- Through coordination with the Office of Emergency Services (OES), a Gubernatorial or Presidential Proclamation declares a State of Emergency and initiates the ER process
- Caltrans & FHWA specialist staff review damage sites and project applications
- FHWA approves, denies or requests adjustments to project applications

## If Request For Project Funding Is Approved:

- Emergency Opening (EO) projects, which are minimally scoped to solely restore essential traffic and minimize the extent of further damage until a restoration project that completely restores the roadway to pre-damage conditions can be developed and implemented, are 100% reimbursed for the 1st 180 days after the date of the event stated on the Proclamation.
- Permanent Restoration (PR) projects, which are scoped to bring the roadway facility back to pre-damage conditions, are implemented via the standard federal-aid contract procedures and project delivery process.
- Process includes CEQA/NEPA\* compliance, acquisition of approved Permits, and Right of Way (ROW) approvals & acquisitions.

\*California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA), and National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) are state and federal laws outlining the required environmental analysis.