

**12.221 MINNESOTA NATURAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE.**

Subdivision 1. **Disaster assistance agreement.** The Division of Emergency Management may enter into an agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the maintenance of the Minnesota natural disaster assistance program and for administration of federal disaster assistance programs as provided for under provisions of federal law and regulation.

Subd. 2. **Federal assistance for program.** Under the agreement, the Federal Emergency Management Agency will provide \$50,000 in federal funds annually toward the cost incurred by implementation of the natural disaster assistance program. The Division of Emergency Management shall provide two planners and the necessary equipment and facilities for project operations.

Subd. 3. **Governor's authorized representative.** The state director may serve as the governor's authorized representative. As such, the state director may apply for and enter into an agreement with any federal agency to accept and administer federal financial assistance made available to the state as a result of a disaster declaration. Federal money received is appropriated to the state director, who shall report its expenditure to the chairs of the house of representatives Ways and Means Committee and the appropriate senate finance committee.

Subd. 4. **Subgrant agreements.** The state director, serving as the governor's authorized representative, may enter into subgrant agreements with eligible applicants to provide federal and state financial assistance made available as a result of a disaster declaration.

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1Sp2003 c 1 art 2 s 136]

**History:** 1978 c 661 s 1; 1987 c 71 s 2; 1993 c 176 s 1; 1996 c 344 s 11; 1997 c 12 art 3 s 1; 1998 c 386 art 2 s 9