

425 FHWA NEPA Documentation for State/National Declared Emergencies

The FHWA Oregon Division *NEPA Disaster/Emergency Documentation for (c) List Categorical Exclusions Funded by FHWA Emergency Relief* ([ER Document](#)) covers NEPA for actions taken prior to, during, or immediately after a State or National Emergency/Disaster Declaration to restore essential traffic, minimize the extent of damage, or protect remaining facilities. NEPA documentation and project reporting for the immediate Emergency Relief (ER) response is not subject to the PCE Agreement and no environmental documentation beyond the ER Document for FHWA reimbursement purposes is necessary. The REC coordinates with, and provides the signed ER Document to, the FHWA Operations Engineer prior to FHWA approving reimbursement in Financial Management Information System (FMIS).¹

The ER Document does not cover NEPA for any *additional* work that might be warranted after/outside the initial ER repair work scope; those additional repair or “betterment” projects would be amended to the STIP and the REC should follow the normal PCE/CE process and documentation requirements in *Section 423 – PCEs* or *Section 424 – CEs* as applicable.

Federal Disaster Identification Number – Enter the Federal Disaster Identification Number (or Disaster Number) from the Detailed Damage Inspections Report (DDIR). The Disaster Number is assigned by the FHWA Oregon Division Office and provided to the ODOT and/or LPA crew working on the emergency work (e.g., OR2017-01).

Agency Site Number(s) – Enter the Agency Site Number.

Counties or ODOT District or ODOT Region – Enter the county, district, or region where the project is located.

Description of Work – From the list of activities, check all actions that were completed as part of the project in response to the ER declared disaster/emergency.

ODOT Region Environmental Coordinator Signature – The *ER Document* must be signed and dated by an ODOT REC.

¹ See *Section 1000 – Maintenance Support and Emergency Response* for information about how the REC works with Maintenance Districts and Region environmental specialists for environmental clearances for both state-only (via the Maintenance “Blue Book” Guide) and Federal-nexus (i.e., [FHWA Emergency Relief reimbursement](#), and/or other Federal nexus such as USACE, NMFS, USFWS, etc.) emergency work.