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**Route To:**

**Subject:** Salt Fire BAER Initial Funding Request

**To:** Sandra Watts, Acting Regional Forester

Enclosed is the initial 2500-8 Salt Fire Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) funding request for recommended emergency treatments, and the soil burn severity map. The Salt fire started on the Tonto National Forest on 8/17/2020 and burned a total of 21,670 acres. Initial assessments show the fire resulted in a mixture of primarily low and moderate soil burn severity. Initial assessments also indicate that we could see increased water and mud flows that could pose a risk to forest users.

Funding in the amount of \$5,100 is initially requested to provide signage to warn or prevent Forest users from accessing roads, trails, and campsites where dangerous conditions could exist and to monitor the condition of these signs for three years.

If you have questions, please contact Mike Martinez, BAER Team lead, at 602 499 5818.

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Enclosures

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