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THE HONORABLE JEFF MERKLEY
*Chairman*
*Senate Committee on Appropriations*
*Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,*
*and Related Agencies*
*United States Senate*
*125 Hart Senate Office Building*
*Washington, DC 20510*

Dear Chairman Merkley:

This letter transmits the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service response to the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (Public Law 115-123) Section 20701 that the Forest Service provide a monthly report detailing the allocation and obligation of supplemental funds related to the consequences of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria. Enclosed are the December 2022 tables and includes data through December 31, 2022.

In compliance with Public Law 117-328 Section 7016, after 45 days, this report will be posted to the Forest Service website https://www.fs.usda.gov/about-agency/budget-performance.

If you have any questions, please have a member of your staff contact the Office of Congressional Relations at (202) 720-7095. A similar letter is being sent to Ranking Member Lisa Murkowski.

Sincerely,

THOMAS J. VILSACK
*Secretary*

Enclosure