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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 (Pub. L. No. 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 July 2023 tables and includes data through June 30, 2023.

As required by Section 7016(b)(1) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 (Pub. L. No. 117-328) this report will be posted on the Forest Service's website at https://www.fs.usda.gov/about-agency/budget-performance within 45 days of receipt of the report by the Subcommittees.

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