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TO: Agency Heads, Chief Financial Officers, Department Budget Officers
All State Departments, Institutions, and Agencies

FROM: Kristin Walker *Kristin Walker*

SUBJECT: Hurricane Helene Related Federal Government Requests

On October 23rd, the Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM) released an initial [report](#) estimating \$53.6 billion in damage and needs resulting from Hurricane Helene. Considering the magnitude of this storm, North Carolina will be asking Congress and various federal government agencies for significant assistance. Governor Cooper asked OSBM to work on a consolidated set of requests that will form the basis for a statewide ask of the federal government.

Congress will return for a short session on Tuesday, November 12, 2024. In anticipation of that session, we are asking agencies to send us the requests of the federal government that your agency has identified. Where possible, please identify specific federal programs and funding amounts that would assist your agency with Helene recovery. Also include policy changes your agency needs Congress and federal agencies to make to facilitate recovery efforts.

Please email this information to the appropriate team lead contact as shown in the table below **by 5:00 pm Tuesday, November 5**. Reach out to this same contact or [Anca Grozav](#), should you have any questions.

Thank you for your continued partnership and for everything you are doing for the people of Western North Carolina.

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