

# Frequently asked questions for private property recovery/ funding:

## **What is the process to apply for funding?**

Property owners should visit <http://www.uwyo.edu/barnbackyard/resources/mullenwildfire.html> to find the application and project worksheet. Once the application is complete, send it to [ema@albany.wy.us](mailto:ema@albany.wy.us) (for faster response) or you can mail the application to 525 Grand Avenue Suite 201 Laramie WY, 82070. We will then contact you regarding your application and arrange a time to visit your property. During the visit you can ask questions regarding projects. You do not have to be there for the visit, and we are happy to answer any questions over the phone. Once we approved it, we will send you the completed application and tracking sheet.

You then can begin your project tracking sheet. Here you will track hours spent working, any costs related to recovery on your property and any other information requested. You will have until December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, to submit this project worksheet back to [ema@co.albany.wy.us](mailto:ema@co.albany.wy.us). It is imperative that we get this worksheet back in-order for us to reimburse you for your efforts. **Note, you may submit the project worksheet any time before the due date. Once the project is completed, Albany County will reimburse you for your work.**

## **Why was my application not approved?**

If your application was not approved, it was likely because your property received minimal impacts from the Mullen Fire. Currently we are only accepting applications from properties that were severely burned. You may apply after a year to see if funds are available.

## **I already submitted a project worksheet and want to do more work on my land, how can I do this?**

If you already submitted your project worksheet and have more work to do on your property, please submit another application to Albany County EMA at [ema@co.albany.wy.us](mailto:ema@co.albany.wy.us). It will follow the same initial process you already went through.

## **I want to use machinery/ equipment to assist with restoring my property, what type of equipment may I use?**

You may use machinery/ equipment to assist with recovery efforts if it is under 1 ton. This is required by FEMA, if you are going to list the machinery/ equipment on your project worksheet to receive reimbursement.

## **Can I use a contractor for my project(s)?**

Yes! Contractors are allowed to do the work. You will follow the same application process and we will still only pay the 75 percent; the 25 percent will be funded by the property owner.

## **What type of projects may I do that could receive funding?**

Grass Seeding, Removing Hazardous Trees, and Placing Waddles.

## **What type of projects will not be able to receive funding?**

Removing/ demolition on destroyed structures.

**What agencies have been involved with Mullen Fire Recovery efforts?**

Albany County Emergency Management Agency, Albany County Fire Warden, Albany County Weed and Pest, Carbon County Emergency Management, Laramie Rivers Conservation District, Saratoga- Rawlins Conservation District, Wyoming State Forestry, Wyoming Office of Homeland Security, UW Extension Office, Wyoming Fish and Game, Farm Service Agency (USDA), National Weather Service and the U.S Forest Service.