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August 30, 2023

Dear FEMA Administrator Ms. Deanne Criswell,

Please talk to President Biden about providing FEMA Individual Assistance to the victims of the Caldor Fire, especially since he promised to help the residents of Grizzly Flats, CA. The people still living on their properties in Grizzly Flats, CA, are destitute and struggling to survive. Many of the residents in Grizzly Flats are without homes and have temporary living conditions due to the expectation that President Biden would keep his promise of assistance and support. The President may not be aware of these circumstances, so please ensure that he knows and encourage the President to get something is done to provide homes for Caldor Fire victims.

The unaffordable conditions in California have been rising costs causing Grizzly Flats residents hardship and preventing them from rebuilding what was lost in the Caldor Fire. The residents look to Government as having the ability and responsibility to help with disasters, like the Caldor Fire, through FEMA individual recovery programs. There has been no individual assistance from Government, despite clear promises from President Biden. The congressional representatives that have tried to talk to President Biden about Grizzly Flats claim they were ignored and as a result, have not been able to ensure any support for residents. Hopefully, you will have more success.

The people of Grizzly Flats have begun the process of going to the press with their concerns. There is a general feeling that Government at all levels has abandoned Grizzly Flats residents. Since we work for El Dorado County Government, and work hard to help rebuild Grizzly Flats, we would like the opportunity to prove to the residents that they have NOT been abandoned and that Government still works for the people. Only the Federal Government has the ability to help provide homes for the residents of Grizzly Flats after a wildfire natural disaster, so we implore you in your position as FEMA Administrator, to talk to President Biden so he understands and can fulfill his promise to help the residents who were impacted.

Sincerely,

George Turnboo

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District 2 Supervisor
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