

THE STATE WILL PROVIDE DEBRIS CLEANUP ASSISTANCE

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) will be in charge of the massive debris removal operation resulting from the Valley Fire.

The first critical and urgent step in that operation is the assessment of those properties which have been damaged and/or destroyed to determine whether hazardous substances are present and to remove any such substances to avoid significant risks to health and safety. The California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal EPA) will be in Lake County soon and will be performing that assessment and removal.

Once the assessment is completed, Cal OES will be coordinating the debris removal efforts in Lake County. If your home and/or accessory buildings were destroyed as a result of the Valley Fire, Cal OES will be able to remove the debris from your property at no cost to you, provided that a Right of Entry Permit is submitted. Please complete the Right of Entry Permit provided here and return it as soon as possible to a Health Department Representative at the Local Assistance Center located at the Middletown Senior Center. Alternatively, the Permit can be returned to the Lake County Health Department located at 922 Bevins Court, Lakeport.