

✓ State sending millions to county

EARTHQUAKE '89 - Santa Cruz County

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SANTA CRUZ — The state is sending \$5 million to Santa Cruz County for earthquake relief, officials announced Friday.

Another \$25 million will follow, state and local officials said.

The money is an advance on disaster claims the state expects Santa Cruz County to file in coming months, County Administrative Officer Susan Mauriello said.

Santa Cruz and six other counties hardest hit by the Oct. 17 earthquake are to share in \$17 million from the state's emergency reserve account, on the orders of Gov.

George Deukmejian.

Santa Cruz County is receiving the largest share of the money, compared to \$3 million each for San Francisco, Alameda and Monterey counties, and \$1 million each for San Mateo, Santa Clara and San Benito counties. The county will share the money with city governments, Mauriello said.

"I'm delighted the advance is coming. We need it for cash-flow reasons," she said.

Deukmejian's office also notified the Legislature that he intends to take another \$100 million from the state's reserve and send it to local governments. The money is to be used to replace government build-

ings and for overtime, supplies and other costs associated with the earthquake.

According to Mauriello's office, Santa Cruz County is to receive \$25 million of that \$100 million. San Francisco, Alameda and Monterey counties will receive \$15 million each, and San Mateo, Santa Clara and San Benito counties will receive \$5 million each.

On Tuesday, Santa Cruz County received its first state aid, in the form of a \$356,000 check delivered by state Controller Gray Davis. The money was the state's 75-percent share of the county Public Works Department's expenses on the disaster so far.