Help possible for damaged Truckee homes, businesses

Truckee residents or business owners who have substantial uninsured damage from the Jan. 7-12 or Feb. 6-11 storms may be able to get some relief.

Truckee declared a state of emergency for the January storm system and anticipates declaring a second state of emergency for the February storms. Based on damages to residences and businesses that occurred during these two emergency declaration periods, Nevada County may be eligible for a U.S. Small Business Administration emergency declaration. An emergency declaration by the SBA would enable individuals and businesses to apply for SBA's low interest disaster loan program.

Truckee and Nevada County Office of Emergency Services are reaching out to potentially-impacted residents and businesses to determine if the county has enough impacted parties for SBA eligibility.

Substantial economic injury means the business is unable to meet its obligations and to pay its ordinary and necessary operating expenses.

For more information, contact the town by March 3 at 530.582.2914 or hhobbs@townoftruckee.com.