

MaineHousing commits \$250,000 for drought relief

**Income-eligible households can contact area community action agency for help**

### **For Immediate Release**

AUGUSTA – In response to concerns expressed by Governor Paul R. LePage for the hardships faced by families affected by the ongoing drought, MaineHousing, in partnership with the state’s community action agencies, is making \$250,000 available to provide drought relief to income-eligible households without potable water.

The effect of the drought is most significant in the southern Maine counties of Cumberland, Androscoggin, Oxford, Sagadahoc, and York.

Funds are limited and are available on a first come, first serve basis to help those households with an immediate need for relief. Funds will be used for well repair, replacement or recovery measures only for those homes for which the lack of potable water is due to the recent drought. Affected households can contact their area community action agency to determine their eligibility and to schedule an appointment to apply to have their well inspected for damage specifically brought on by the drought and a determination of the best course of action to provide relief.

For a list of community action agencies and telephone numbers, please visit our website at [www.mainehousing.org](http://www.mainehousing.org) or call 2-1-1 Maine, a service of the United Way.