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# Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

Department of Public Safety

# **Mitigation and Recovery Program Report**

October 21, 2014

DHSEM is coordinating the following mitigation and recovery efforts with government, private-nonprofit organization, and other critical partners.



Evans berm inspection team at the field inspection of this NRCS project.

## **Assistance for Individuals, Households and Small Businesses**

**Program** FEMA Disaster Case Management Program (DCM)

**Lead State Agency** Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

**DHSEM POC** Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)

**Program Update** 

- Continued outreach activities in all 11 Individual Assistance declared counties from CO4145 2013 Floods.
- Attended the Coordinating Committee Long Term Flood Recovery Group (LTFRG) Boulder.
- Facilitated CDBG-DR communication to continue to increase applications.
- Coordinate with FEMA on trailer housing units (THUs) as that program winds down.

#### **Behavioral Health**

Program FEMA Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Program (CCP)
Lead State Agency Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)

**DHSEM POC** Steve Boand, Recovery Manager

**Guidance** Program Overview

**Program Update** 

• The Colorado Spirit-Flood Recovery Mountain Outreach Team is hosting an informal drop in dinner at Laporte Pizza, 3208 County Road 54G, Laporte, CO, from 6-7p.m. on October 23, 2014. This community based event is to promote neighbors helping neighbors and provide emotional support, rebuilding resources and information of preparedness for Larimer County residents. For additional information, please call (970) 999-2713 or contact Fcfloodteam@gmail.com

#### **Debris Management**

**Program** Recovery Planning

**DHSEM POC** Olivia Stinson, Recovery Specialist - Planning

**Program Update** 

• Work with the Regional Managers on debris removal is continuing. All plans that are in-hand will be reviewed by end of November with feedback to local jurisdictions by then.

Colorado Springs plans on submitting their revised Debris Plan to DHSEM by the end of this month, at which
point we will be working to formally file it with FEMA.

#### **Donations Management**

**DHSEM POC** Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)

**Program Update** 

 Attended the UPS Foundation virtual meeting to explore the donations portal for National Donations Management Network (NDMN) tool

## **Economic and Community Recovery**

**Program** State Disaster Emergency Fund

Lead State Agency DHSEM

**DHSEM POC** Steve Boand, Recovery Manager

**Program Update** 

- On Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, staff participated in a meeting of citizens representing the four drainages located within the Estes Valley, including Black Canyon, Big Thompson, Fall River and Fish Creek sponsored by Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB). The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and gage support for the creation of a watershed group to encompass all four stream drainages in the Estes Valley. The outcome of the meeting was agreement of all in attendance to create a unified watershed organization. CWCB within the next week will set a date and place for the first organizational meeting to create the watershed organization.
- On Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, staff participated in a meeting of the St. Vrain Watershed Coalition. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the draft St. Vrain Watershed Master Plan and discuss next meetings to present the plan for public comment and ultimately adoption of the plan.
- Community liaisons continued to assist local communities and participate in local disaster recovery planning activities and resolving Public Assistance issues.
- On Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, staff attended the Milliken's community appreciation celebration in honor of The Salvation Army for their dedicated support in response to the September 2014 floods.

The Liaison office in Loveland was closed as of October 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Program** Recovery Planning

**DHSEM POC** Olivia Stinson, Recovery Specialist - Planning

**Program Update** 

- Progress towards the development of the Jamestown Community Planning Group continues to be made.
   Internal leadership has been identified and weekly meetings to identify key goals, issues and projects are planned for the next eight weeks. Please see <a href="https://www.jtstrong.net">www.jtstrong.net</a> for additional information.
- FEMA training for local disaster recovery planning will be held in Lake County on October 29, 2014.
- The Left Hand Watershed Master Plan draft has been circulated to the coalition for comments by October 24. Two final community meetings are scheduled for the week of October 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Staff continues to support the Community Resiliency Working Group (headed up by DOLA) in preparation for the State application to HUD for the \$1 billion Resiliency grant program. Meetings are planned for approximately every two weeks until the end of March.

#### **Hazard Mitigation**

**Program** FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

Lead State Agency DHSEM

**DHSEM POC** Scott Baldwin, Mitigation Specialist

**Guidance** FEMA HMGP guidance documents may be found at

http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program

#### **Program Update**

HMGP is open for five disasters: DRs 1762, 4067, 4133, 4134, and 4145.

- A status update regarding the State Hazard Mitigation Team (SHMT) review of HMGP applications was communicated to applicants via email on October 17th, 2014.
- The staff is completing final memos to convey the results of each HMGP application review and instructions for all sub-applicants moving forward. Official communication from the DHSEM regarding HMGP applications will be emailed to their Authorized Agent on Friday October 24th, 2014.
- **Tip of the Week**: Get The Facts; Mitigation Works. For tips, info, stats, and resources about Hazard Mitigation visit: http://www.fema.gov/what-mitigation/mitigation-fact-sheets

**Program** FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program (PDM)

Lead State Agency DHSEM

**DHSEM POC** Scott Baldwin, Mitigation Specialist

**Program Update** 

 Staff conducted the project close-out inspection of the Stone Creek flood mitigation project in Eagle County on October 16<sup>th</sup>.





Flow control structure and flood control weir in the Stone Creek flood mitigation project.

Participated in the successful FEMA Environmental and Historic Preservation site visit for the Durango Crestview
 Ditch PDM project.



Patricia Gavelda (DHSEM), Keith Dougherty (Durango) and Rich Hansen (FEMA Region 8) tour the Crestview Ditch erosion control/flood mitigation project site.

Program USDA NRCS Emergency Watershed Protection Program (EWPP)

Lead State Agency DHSEM

**DHSEM POC** Olivia Stinson, Recovery Specialist - Planning

Guidance http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/landscape/ewpp/

#### **Program Update**

- Two large Requests for Reimbursement (RFRs) were submitted this week Boulder County and Larimer. These will be reviewed and processed the week of October 20.
- The Town of Estes Park has submitted their final RFR.
- Jamestown is doing some additional work on debris removal above town limits and will complete that additional work by October 30.
- The first RFR to NRCS by DHSEM has been approved and is in process. Two more RFRs will be submitted to NRCS in the next two weeks. Final close out date by DHSEM for the grant program is January 28, 2015 for all projects.

**Program** Mitigation Planning

Lead State Agency DHSEM

**DHSEM POC** Patricia Gavelda, Mitigation Planner

**Program Update** 

• The Adams County Integrated Comprehensive / Hazard Mitigation Plan has been submitted to FEMA. Several more APA plan adoptions have been collected.

### **Infrastructure**

Program HUD CDBG-DR Infrastructure (CDBG-DR)

Lead State Agency DHSEM

**DHSEM POC** Jill Hart, Recovery Specialist

Guidance Action Plan - <a href="http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/action-plans">http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/action-plans</a>

Forms <a href="http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/impacted-areas">http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/impacted-areas</a>

**Program Update** 

• Staff is working with applicants who have received their "Notice to Proceed" under CDBG-DR Round One funding on the next steps in the process.

• The following table summarizes the current status of the CDBG-DR Program. Two additional Notice to Proceed letters (Award Letters) were sent out during the past week bringing the total projects to eight worth \$1,039,330.

	Co	Count Dollar A		Amount
Infrastructure (\$19.4M)	This Week	Cumulative	This Week	Cumulative
Projects accepted through NOI	0	53	\$0	\$17,781,861
Applications Received	0	54	\$0	\$18,707,578
Award Letters	2	8	\$195,809	\$1,039,330
Under Contract	0	0	\$0	\$0

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