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## Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

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### Mitigation and Recovery Program Report

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



Marilyn Gally and Greg Moser met with Estes Park Public Works Director, Greg Muhonen, on January 20, 2015 to discuss the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) and possible flood mitigation options.

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

**Program** FEMA Disaster Case Management Program (DCM)  
**Lead State Agency** DHSEM  
**DHSEM POC** Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)  
**Program Update**

- The second all-day statewide training took place on January 22, 2015 and was well received by the case managers/supervisors. Bernice Williams, USDA, Rural Development, State Housing Specialist and Mike Williams from Clayton Homes, discussed manufactured home units. In addition, a short block on self-care and boundary setting was discussed. The day ended with a session on Access and Functional Needs. The construction team also met in the afternoon. Numerous success stories were shared throughout the day and ended on a high note with a client story about an elderly gentleman who was settled into a new home and awarded a significantly increased Social Security benefit as a result advocacy through the case management program. Thank you for Catholic Charities of Denver who hosted the meeting.

- **Future Training:** "Case Management and Construction - The Intersection" on February 3, 2015 in Loveland. For more specifics or to register email, please contact Robyn Knappe at [robyn.knappe@state.co.us](mailto:robyn.knappe@state.co.us).

## Donations Management

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

### Program Update

- Discussions continue on the requirements for a new donation system to replace the FEMA National Donations Management Network (NDMN) system that was dropped by FEMA on December 11, 2015.

## Hazard Mitigation

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

**Lead State Agency** DHSEM

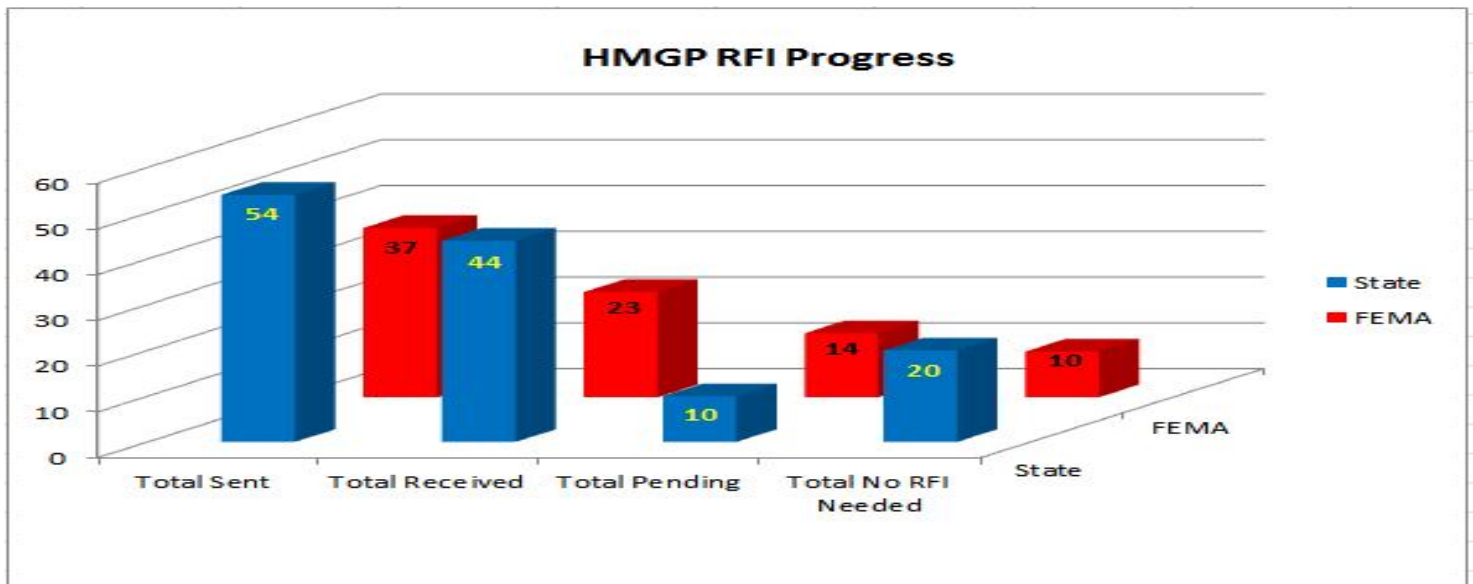
**DHSEM POC** Scott Baldwin, Mitigation Specialist

**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.

- The Mitigation team has submitted sixty-four (64) HMGP applications to FEMA for review and consideration. Based on the FEMA six-month HMGP estimate, twenty-one (21) applications fell below the original fiscal constraint line. These applications remain to be submitted to FEMA while the State is reviewing applications and developing the Request for Information (RFI). The remaining applications will be submitted to FEMA at the end of January, February and March. The State is determining application completeness prior to submitting, and those that are the most complete will be submitted first. Sub-applicants in this second pool will be notified when their application is formally submitted to FEMA for review.
- If a FEMA RFI is generated, it will be communicated to the sub-applicant via DHSEM email. Sub-applicant responses to FEMA RFIs within thirty days are mandatory. Failure to respond to a FEMA RFI within the required deadline can jeopardize project funding and/or result in final project denial.



- The Mitigation team met in the Town of Estes Park on January 20, 2015 to discuss the HMGP and possible flood mitigation options.



(L-R) Greg Muhonen, Estes Park Public Works Director, and Marilyn Gally, State Hazard Mitigation Officer discuss Estes Park flood mitigation options.

- The Mitigation team & FEMA are meeting with the Town of Superior this week to discuss a proposed flood control channel improvement project along Coal Creek.
- **Are you curious about your HMGP application?** The Mitigation team will be reaching out to sub-applicants over the next two weeks to discuss the progression of your HMGP application(s) and answer any questions you may have. Your patience is greatly appreciated during this process and we look forward to speaking with you soon.
- **Tip of the Week:** Are you informed? To receive the latest Mitigation information and news visit [coemergency.com](http://coemergency.com).

## Infrastructure

<b>Program</b>	FEMA Public Assistance Program (PA)
<b>Lead State Agency</b>	DHSEM
<b>DHSEM POC</b>	Johan Barrios, Recovery Specialist
<b>Guidance</b>	<a href="http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit/">http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit/</a>
<b>Program Update</b>	

- In the last week, seventeen (17) requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and forty-four (44) RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 768, of which 394 are recommended for payment and 150 were returned to the Sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 224 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$110.7 million, and \$93.9 million is considered initially eligible. \$41.5

million has been recommended for payment, and \$21.0 million has been returned to Sub-grantees for additional information.

- Four requests for scope changes were submitted in the last week, and one request was deferred to closeout. The total amount of scope change requests is now 200 of which 129 are completed or deferred to closeout, and thirty (30) were returned to the Sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining forty-one (41) are in progress.
- There have been forty-seven (47) payments made in the last week for a total of \$2.6 million, including federal and state share.
- **Announcements:**
  - Thank you to everyone who got their quarterly reports in on time. It is greatly appreciated.
  - Next PA call will be January 30, 2015 at 9 a.m. Call in information and presentation will be sent out prior to the call.
  - As discussed on the last call, the State will be releasing information on force account labor (FAL) costs and cost reasonableness. The release of this information was delayed due to programmatic changes being discussed with FEMA. We hope to have this guidance ready in the coming weeks.
  - The hiring of project specialists and finance specialists is still in progress. All interviews were conducted, and State staff is moving applicants forward in the background check process.
- **Important Dates:** Time extensions for permanent work projects are due February 14, 2015.

**Program** HUD CDBG-DR Infrastructure (CDBG-DR)  
**Lead State Agency** DHSEM  
**DHSEM POC** Justine Willman, Recovery Specialist  
**Guidance** Action Plan - <http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/action-plans>  
**Forms** <http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/impacted-areas>  
**Program Update**

- CDBG-DR Infrastructure Guidelines and Notice of Intent (NOIs) / Application are posted on the DOLA CDBG-DR website. Round 2 NOI's are due by 5 p.m. on February 13, 2015 and Applications will be due by 5 p.m. on May 29, 2015. See [www.dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr](http://www.dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr) for a link to the online Notice of Intent / Application and supporting documents.
- The following table summarizes the grant award status of the CDBG-DR Infrastructure Program:

Infrastructure (\$19.4M)	Count		Dollar Amount	
	This Week	Cumulative	This Week	Cumulative
Projects accepted through NOI	0	53	\$0	\$17,781,861
Applications Received	0	54	\$0	\$17,551,905
Award Letters	0	50	\$0	\$15,416,218

- Ongoing CDBG-DR activities include:
  - No changes this week
  - Working on acquisition contract for Boulder County (Jamestown), DOLA is reviewing and will give approval to send out to the Grantee.
  - Working on Fish Creek Utilities contract for Town of Estes Park and Upper Thompson Sanitation District. DOLA is reviewing Town of Estes Park and received Upper Thompson on January 23, 2015.
  - Working on contract for Manitou Springs, will send to DOLA next week for their review and approval to send to Grantee.
  - Working on contract for Milliken.
  - Working on contract for Nederland.

- **DHSEM will hold an applicant assistance teleconference call on Friday, February 6, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.**
  - The telephone call in number is [1-877-820-7831](tel:1-877-820-7831) Participant code: 522939#

## Volunteer Coordination

**Lead State Agency** Colorado Recovery Office  
**DHSEM POC** Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison  
**Program Update**

- Work continues with the volunteer committees to plan spring rehabilitation and rebuild projects with out-of-state volunteers. Construction managers will be joining the Tri-county volunteer coordination committee that meets the first Friday of each month. Newsletter launch for volunteers is February 1, 2015.

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