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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.

Assistance for Individuals, Households and Small Businesses

Program FEMA Disaster Case Management Program (DCM)

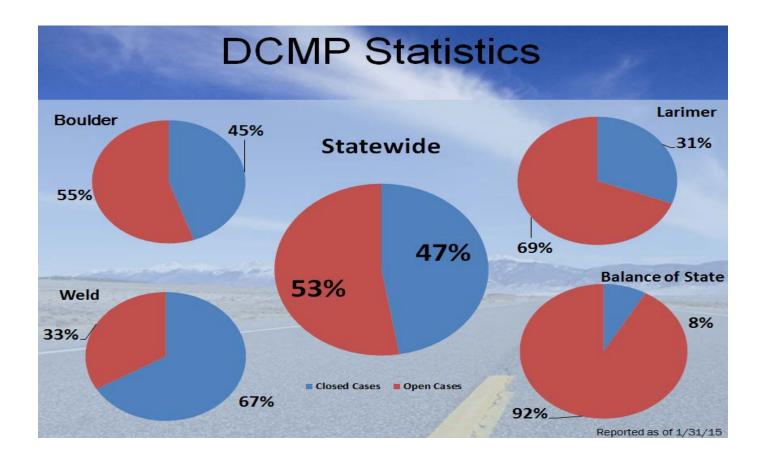
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DHSEM POC Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)

Program Update

- Disaster Case Management (DCM)
 - We are beginning to track more closely the open and closed cases statewide. Progress pie charts will be distributed monthly. The charts will capture all closed and all open cases per disaster case management center, and will also include a statewide overview.

	Total Cases	Closed Cases	Open Cases
Boulder	1054	471	583
Larimer	270	83	187
Weld	499	332	167
Balance of State	60	5	55
Total cases	1883	891	992



o The annual COVOAD Conference was held on February 26, 2015, and was integrated with the 2015 Colorado Emergency Management Conference.



The Disaster Case Management Program was highlighted in two sessions of the 2015 Emergency Management Conference.

Hazard Mitigation

Program Mitigation Planning

Lead State Agency DHSEM

DHSEM POC Patricia Gavelda, Mitigation Planner

Program Update

- Arapahoe County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) revisions received February 23, 2015; plan sent to FEMA for review on March 2, 2015.
- Confirming Mesa County HMP Update revisions.
- Four local HMPs remain in APA status: Summit, Grand, Teller, Hinsdale
- Three additional County HMPs will be submitted for State review soon (El Paso, Boulder, Costilla)
- One county HMP in planning process (Douglas); workshop scheduled March 3, 2015.
- DHSEM is preparing DR-4145-CO planning grant contracts and award letters for thirteen jurisdictions.

Infrastructure

Program FEMA Public Assistance Program (PA)

Lead State Agency DHSEM

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Guidance http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit/

Program Update

- In the last week, fifteen requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and thirty-three RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 835, of which 495 are recommended for payment and 139 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 201 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$119.9 million, and \$103.8 million is considered initially eligible. \$49.2 million has been recommended for payment, \$21.6 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$49.1 million is still in progress.
- Twelve requests for scope changes were submitted in the last week, and four were completed or deferred to closeout. The total amount of scope change requests is now 228 of which 148 are completed or deferred to closeout, and thirty-seven were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining forty-three are in progress.
- There have been thirty-seven payments made in the last week for total of \$1.1 million, including federal and state share.

Announcements:

- Next PA call will be March 27, 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. Two existing DHSEM employees were transferred over into these positions, and one new hire began March 2, 2015. The remaining candidates are in the background process.
- **Important Dates:** The timeline for completion of permanent work is March 14, 2015, unless an extension has been granted.

Program HUD CDBG-DR Infrastructure (CDBG-DR)

Lead State Agency DHSEM

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Guidance Action Plan - http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/action-plans

Forms http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/impacted-areas

Program Update

 Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Infrastructure Guidelines and Notice of Intent (NOIs) / Application are posted on the DOLA CDBG-DR website. Applications will be due by 5 p.m. on May 29, 2015. See 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:

	Count		Dollar Amount	
Infrastructure (\$19.4M)	This Week	Cumulative	This	Cumulative
			Week	
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:
 - Acquisition contract for Boulder County (Jamestown) went out for signature on January 28,
 2015. Received grant contract back from Boulder County and forwarded to DOLA for final execution.
 - o Fish Creek Utilities contract for Town of Estes Park and Upper Thompson Sanitation District was sent out for Grantee's signature.
 - o Contract for Manitou Springs was received back from Grantee and sent to DOLA for final execution.
 - Contract for Milliken was received back from Grantee and sent to DOLA for final execution.
 - Contract for Nederland was sent to DOLA for their review on February 18, 2015.
 - Contract for City of Evans was sent to DOLA by end of business February 27, 2015 for review.
 - o Contract for City of Boulder was sent to DOLA by end of business February 27, 2015 for review.
 - Working on additional contract for Upper Thompson Sanitation District.
 - o Working on contract for Larimer County.
 - Contract for City of Boulder was sent to DOLA by end of business February 27, 2015 for review.
- Upcoming Activities:
 - O DHSEM is evaluating the NOIs for the second round of CDBG-DR funding in the Recover Colorado Infrastructure Program. Funding requests total more than \$120 million. Eligibility and NOI evaluations are on-going. Notifications to NOI Applicants on the projects that have been selected to move to full application will be made the week of March 16, 2015.

Volunteer Coordination

Lead State Agency Colorado Recovery Office

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Program Update

- Colorado Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (COVAD)
 - COVOAD held elections on February 26, 2015 at the Annual Business Meeting. Congratulations to Diane Elio (Catholic Charities), the new Chairperson, and Dennis Belz, as vice-Chair (Colorado Southern Baptists). Jaici Murcia (American Red Cross) held her respective position as Secretary, and Sandi Mier (Weld County United Way) held her position as Treasurer. The full day of presentations focused on disaster case management, volunteer coordination, CODIST and volunteer hours. Thanks to Elizabeth Dipaolo for her assisting in putting together the FEMA requirements portion of the volunteer hours presentation.



Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison, supports Essential Support Function 6 – Mass Care, Emergency Assistance, Temporary Housing, and Human Services and the American Red Cross at the 2015 Emergency Management Conference.

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