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### Mitigation and Recovery Program Report

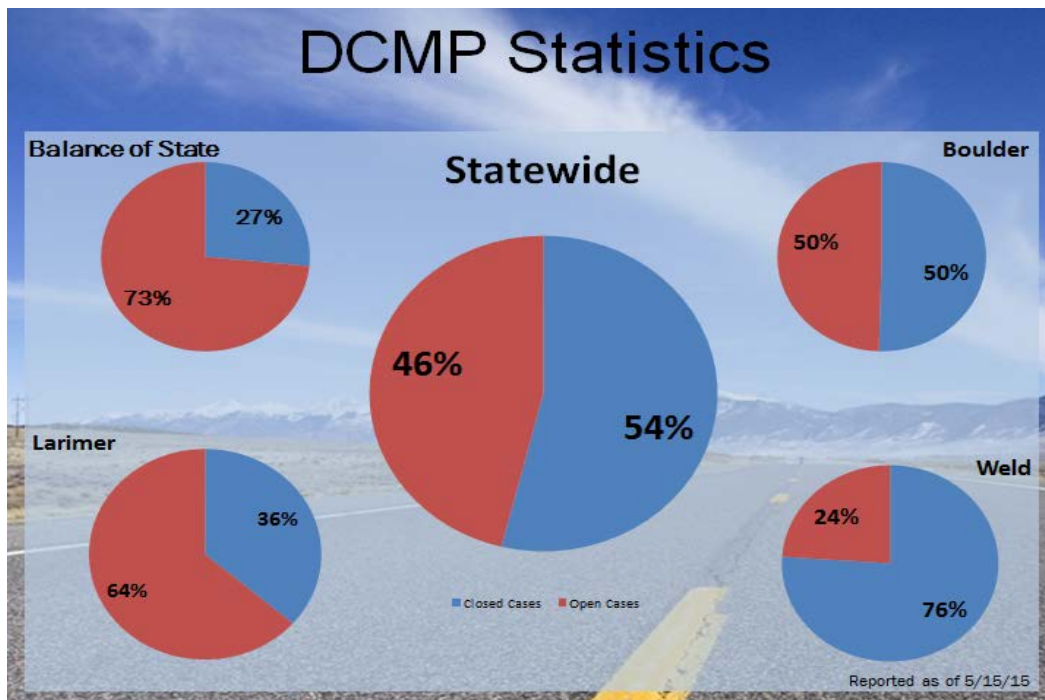
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*DHSEM is coordinating the following mitigation and recovery efforts with government, private-nonprofit organization, and other critical partners.*

### Assistance for Individuals, Households and Small Businesses

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

- Disaster Case Management (DCM)
  - Progress pie charts will be distributed monthly. The following percentages capture all closed and all open cases per disaster case management center, and also include a statewide overview:



## 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>

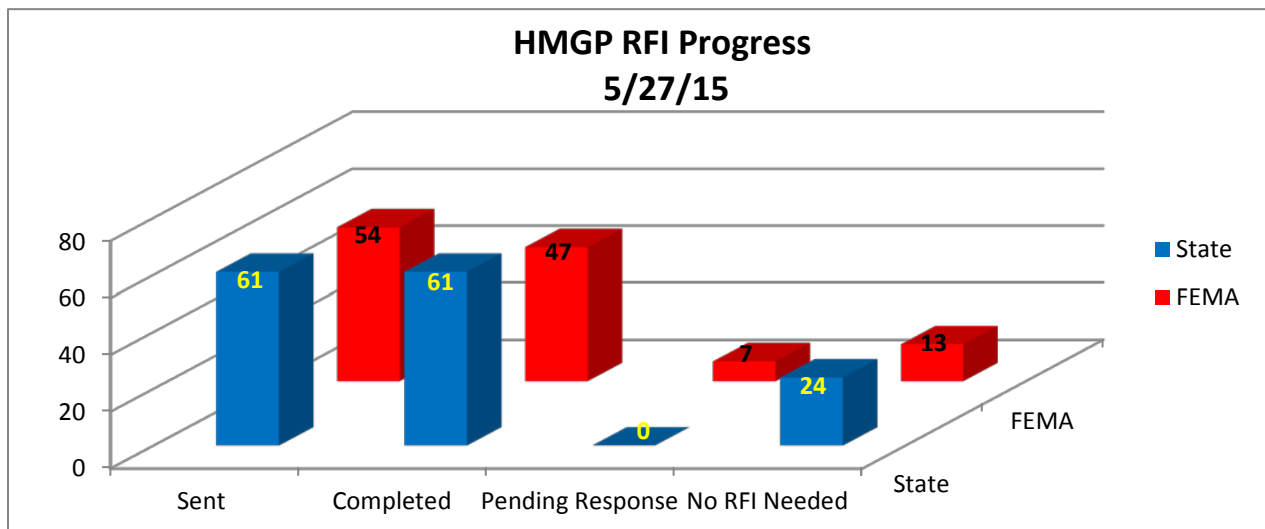
### Program Update

The State is currently working four disasters that involve HMGP funding: DR-4067, DR-4133, DR-4134 and DR-4145

- A total of ninety-eight HMGP applications have been submitted to FEMA for formal review. FEMA is working on reviewing the applications and providing the State with a FEMA request for information (RFI). The State is then forwarding the FEMA RFI to the sub-applicant and assisting them with questions and helping guide them through the RFI process. A breakdown of projects by disaster is shown below:

Disaster	Number of Projects
4067	4
4133	2
4134	7
4145	85
Total Projects	98

- FEMA RFI response is mandatory.** If a FEMA RFI is generated, it will be communicated to the sub-applicant via DHSEM email. Sub-applicants are highly advised to provide their FEMA RFI response to the State within twenty calendar days of receipt. This will allow for State review and comment prior to FEMA submission. Failure to provide responses to the State within the twenty-day period will result in responses being sent to FEMA without review. Response to a FEMA RFI within thirty days is mandatory. Failure to respond to a FEMA RFI within the thirty-day deadline will result in project removal from the HMGP. Projects can only be reinstated in the HMGP through an extended appeal process.
- The graph below is for Disaster 4145 only. The State RFI process has been completed for all other open disasters.



- The State has suspended the monthly HMGP Conference Call that occurs on the second Friday of each month and the bi-weekly 5% & Generator conference call on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Due to the different stages and timelines for the many project types, individual coordination is a more appropriate and effective use of time. Coordination calls may be hosted again in the future as projects move further into the implementation and reimbursement phase. In the meantime any pertinent or general project information will be communicated via email or phone call as necessary.
- A bi-weekly conference call will be hosted for all HMGP Wildfire Mitigation sub-applicants on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. The call will discuss the current status of Wildfire Mitigation applications and other important information. This call is for general questions only and project specific questions will be answered on a one-to-one basis. The conference call information has been emailed and all wildfire sub-applicants and supporting staff are highly encouraged to attend.
- A total of 39 projects have been awarded for HMGP DR-4145 with a combined sum of \$3,205,766 of federal funds to date.
- The FEMA Disaster Procurement Assistance Team (DPAT) will be conducting procurement training the afternoon of May 27<sup>th</sup> and the morning of May 28<sup>th</sup>. Based on Office of Inspector General (OIG) audit findings to date, not following federal procurement regulation is one of the key issues identified.
- **The training on Wednesday May 27, 2015 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. will focus on Hazard Mitigation Grant Program HMGP.**
- The training on Thursday May 28, 2015 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and will focus on Public Assistance (PA).

FEMA DPAT Procurement Training Sessions		
Date	Time	
Wednesday, May 27, 2015	1:00PM – 5:00PM	<i>HMGP Focused</i>
Thursday, May 28, 2015	8:00AM – 12:00PM	<i>PA Focused</i>

- Please be aware that missing this important training can put sub-applicants are at higher risk of an OIG finding by being uninformed of common issues that arise during DHS OIG procurement auditing.
- The training sessions will be held in person at the State Emergency Operation Center:  
South Metro Fire Rescue Building (2<sup>nd</sup> floor), 9195 East Mineral Avenue, Centennial, CO 80112

**Program** Mitigation Planning  
**Lead State Agency** DHSEM  
**DHSEM POC** Patricia Gavelda, Mitigation Planner  
**Program Update**

- El Paso County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) granted APA (Approvable Pending Adoption) status by FEMA on May 22, 2015.
- Northeast Region HMP Update with required revisions sent to FEMA on May 19, 2015.
- Northeast Region HMP Update granted APA status by FEMA on May 22, 2015.
- Seven local HMPs remain in APA status (Grand = 10 of 14 adoptions received to date; Teller = 0 of 4 adoptions received to date; Park = 0 of 6 adoptions received to date; Mesa = 0 of 11 adoptions received to date; Fremont =

0 of 4 adoptions received to date; El Paso = 0 of 8 adoptions received to date; NE Region = 0 of 37 adoptions received to date).

- Eight HMPs in planning process (Douglas, Chaffee, Colorado Springs, Costilla, Montezuma, Aurora, Routt, Pueblo).
- Provided technical assistance as requested from various HMGP Planning Grant and other local mitigation planning jurisdictions.

## Infrastructure

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

- In the last week, 22 requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and 0 RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 1,064 of which 738 are recommended for payment and 165 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 161 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$140.9 million, and \$122.5 million is considered initially eligible. \$79.5 million has been recommended for payment, \$17.77 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$25.2 million is still in progress.
- Three requests for scope changes were submitted in the last week, and two were completed or deferred to closeout. The total amount of scope change requests is now 291 of which 219 are completed or deferred to closeout, and 43 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 29 are in progress.
- There have been zero payments made in the last week for total of \$0.00, including federal and state share.
- **Announcements:**
  - Next PA call will be May 29, 2015 at 9 a.m. Call in information and presentation will be sent out prior to the call.
  - The FEMA Disaster Procurement Assistance Team (DPAT) will be conducting a Public Assistance focused procurement training from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on May 28, 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**

- 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](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:

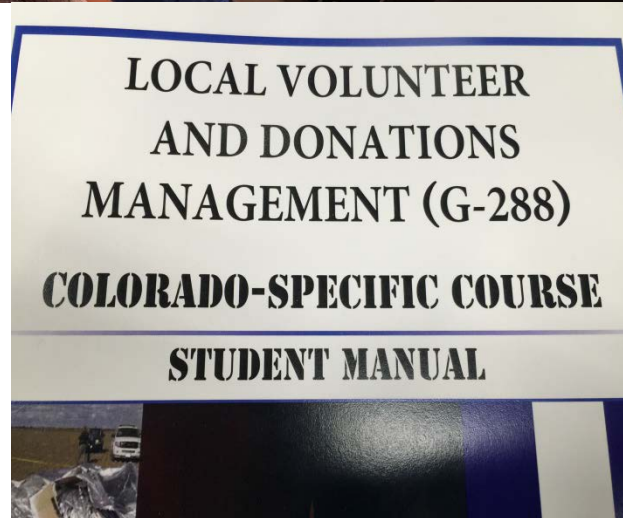
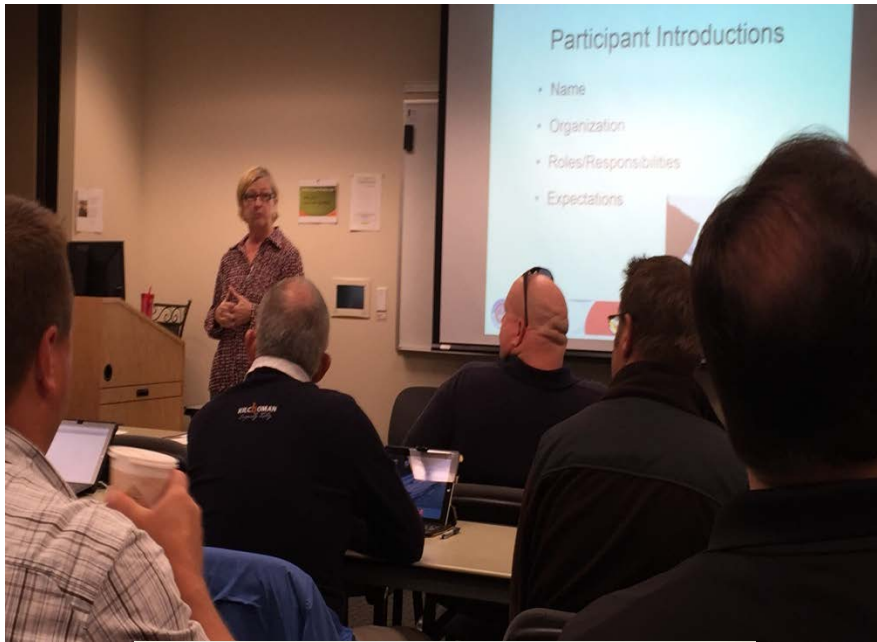
Infrastructure (\$19.4M)	Count		Dollar Amount	
	This Week	Cumulative	This Week	Cumulative
Projects accepted through NOI	0	53	\$0	\$17,781,861
Applications Received	0	54	\$0	\$17,551,905
Award Letters	0	50	\$0	\$15,416,218
Under Contract	0	8	\$2,686,088.00	\$3,343,911.13

- Ongoing CDBG-DR activities include:
  - Contract for City of Boulder was sent to Grantee for execution of April 1, 2015.
  - Contract for Larimer County was sent to Grantee for execution on April 1, 2015. Final execution on May 6, 2015.
  - Contract for Town of Lyons was sent to Grantee for execution on April 7, 2015. Final execution on May 6, 2015.
  - Contract for City of Loveland was sent to Grantee for execution on April 8, 2015.
  - Contract for Upper Thompson Sanitation District (five projects) was sent to Grantee for execution April 9, 2015. Sent to DOLA for final execution on May 8, 2015.
  - Two contracts for City of Evans were sent to Grantee for execution on April 15, 2015. Sent to DOLA for final execution on May 8, 2015.
  - Additional contract for City of Loveland was sent to Grantee for execution on April 24, 2015.
  - Contract for Town of Jamestown was sent to Grantee for execution on April 24, 2015.
  - Contract for Frederick was sent to DOLA for final execution on May 14, 2015.
  - Sent draft contracts for the following agencies to DOLA for their review on May 14, 2015 while awaiting release of funds (ROF): El Paso County - Acquisition; City of Louisville; Town of Lyons – Acquisitions; Larimer County - Big Elk Meadows; City of Manitou Springs - Wildcat Gulch Culvert; Estes Valley Recreation & Park District; Town of Estes Park - 4 PA projects, 1 FHWA project; Boulder County - Acquisitions.
  - Received nine requests for reimbursement; however, need additional information before approval.
- Upcoming CDBG-DR activities include:
  - Round 2 applications due by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 29, 2015.

## Volunteer Coordination

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

- G288 Course: Donations and Volunteer Management
  - Robyn Knappe, Colorado VAL, and Stephanie Sanchez, United Way-211, presented G288: Donations and Volunteer Management training as part of the Colorado Emergency Management Academy program. Attendees were new and existing emergency management professionals from across the State of Colorado. The course covered general donation and volunteer management best practices, as well as covering specific problem areas, such as effective tools for managing spontaneous volunteers and unsolicited donations. Throughout the day, participants were asked to work together to complete the framework for a Donations and Volunteer Annex that could eventually be used in their community’s Emergency Operations Plan. The presenters received a great deal of positive feedback, and will present the course again in Leadville, CO in July.



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