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# **Division of Homeland Security** & Emergency Management

Department of Public Safety

# **Mitigation and Recovery Program Report**

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DHSEM is working with governments, private-nonprofit organizations, and other critical partners on the following mitigation and recovery efforts.

# Assistance for Individuals, Households and Small Businesses

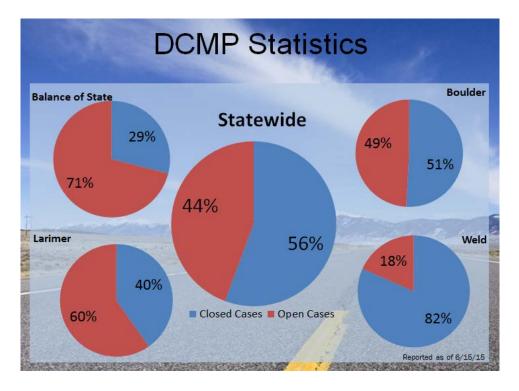
DR-4145	
Program	FEMA Disaster Case Management Program (DCM)
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC	Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)
Program Update	

- Disaster Case Management Program (DCMP)
  - On June 18<sup>th</sup>, DCM case managers from Boulder and Denver attended a Psychological First Aid training in Boulder. The training was presented by Keith Schemper, disaster behavioral health specialist from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Office of Emergency Preparedness & Response. The 21 attendees focused on recognizing and managing basic symptoms of psychological distress and actively engaged in "role playing" to practice the tools learned throughout the training.
  - Psychological First Aid is an evidence-informed modular approach to help everyone, including first responders and receivers, public and behavioral health professionals, community members and families in the immediate aftermath of disaster and terrorism. It is designed to reduce the initial distress caused by traumatic events and to foster short- and long-term adaptive functioning and coping.





• 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:



#### **Consumer Protection**

Spring 2015			
Program	Consumer Protection		
Lead State Agency	DORA Division of Insurance (DOI)		
DORA POC	NA		
DHSEM POC	NA		
Program Update	DORA DOI has posted consumer protection information for those affected by recent storm		
damage titled, "Consumer Alert: Five Insurance Tips for Storm Damage".			
	This information is available at: http://www.dhsem.state.co.us/news/2015-06-05/consumer-		
	alert-five-insurance-tips-storm-damage-colorado-dora. Tips include how to deal with storm		
	damage and insurance, including documenting and mitigating damage, checking contractors,		
	and verifying public adjusters. The alert also includes flood insurance tips, creating a home		
	inventory, and contact numbers for DOI.		

#### **Damage Assessment**

Spring 2015	
Program	FEMA Preliminary Damage Assessment
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC Deanna Butterbaugh, Deputy State Public Assistance Officer	
<b>Program Update</b> Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) were conducted on June 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> for	
	infrastructure damages and impacts incurred as a result of the April/May 2015 severe storms
	and spring runoff. Participants included staff from local governments, FEMA, and DHSEM. PDAs

were conducted in Boulder, El Paso, Fremont, Pueblo, Morgan, Logan, Washington, and Sedgwick Counties.

# **Debris Management**

Spring 2015	
Program	NA
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC	Robyn Knappe, Voluntary Agency Liaison
Program Update	The Southern Baptists are available and willing to assist property owners affected by flooding,
	tornados, etc. with tasks relating to debris management and property cleanup.

# **Donations Management**

Program	NA
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC	Robyn Knappe, Voluntary Agency Liaison
Program Update	The Southern Baptists are available and willing to assist property owners affected by flooding, tornados, etc. with tasks relating to debris management and property cleanup.

## **Hazard Mitigation**

Annual Programs Program Lead State Agency DHSEM POC Guidance Program Update	FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (PDM) DHSEM Scott Baldwin, Acting Deputy State Hazard Mitigation Officer FY 2015 Guidance & Addendum: www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279 The competitive FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program is authorized under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93-288, as amended. This program makes federal funds available to State, Local and Tribal Governments to implement and sustain cost-effective measures designed to reduce the risk to individuals and property from natural hazards, while also reducing reliance on Federal funding from future disasters. FEMA has announced PDM program availability for this year. DHSEM is currently accepting notices of interest/intent from eligible potential sub-applicants. \$30 million is available nationally. A complete <i>State</i> application, including all sub-applications, is due to FEMA no later than August 28, 2015.
Program Lead State Agency DHSEM POC Guidance Program Update	FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMAP) DHSEM Scott Baldwin, Acting Deputy State Hazard Mitigation Officer FY 2015 Guidance & Addendum: www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279 The competitive FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program is authorized under the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994. This program makes federal funds available to eligible applicants with the goal of reducing or eliminating claims under the NFIP. FEMA has announced program availability for this year. DHSEM is currently accepting notices of interest/intent from eligible potential sub-applicants. \$150 million is available nationally. A complete <i>State</i> application, including all sub-applications, is due to FEMA no later than August 28, 2015.

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

- Six local Hazard Mitigation Plans (HMPs) remain in APA (Approvable Pending Adoption) status (Grand = 10 of 14 adoptions received to date; Teller = 0 of 4 adoptions received to date; Mesa = 8 of 11 adoptions received to date; Fremont = 2 of 4 adoptions received to date; El Paso = 0 of 8 adoptions received to date; NE Region = 6 of 37 adoptions received to date).
- Nine HMPs in planning process (Douglas, Chaffee, Colorado Springs, Costilla, Montezuma, Aurora, Routt, Pueblo, City & County of Broomfield).
- Various HMGP funded plan updates continue in their Request for Proposal (RFP) selection process and will soon begin HMP planning.
- Park County HMP Update submitted to FEMA for final approval on June 17, 2015.
- Conducted Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) kickoff meeting for Durango Crestview Project on June 17, 2015.
- Initial PDM/FMA local NOI reviews for potential HMA funding completed on June 19, 2015.
- Completed review of Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program (THSGP) applications June 21, 2015.
- Completed review of assigned CDBG-DR Round 2 applications June 22, 2015.
- Completed Colorado Springs *Independent* media interview regarding El Paso County HMP Update June 19, 2015.
- Provided technical assistance as requested from various HMGP Planning Grant and other local mitigation planning jurisdictions.

#### DRs-4067, 4133, 4134, 4145

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**

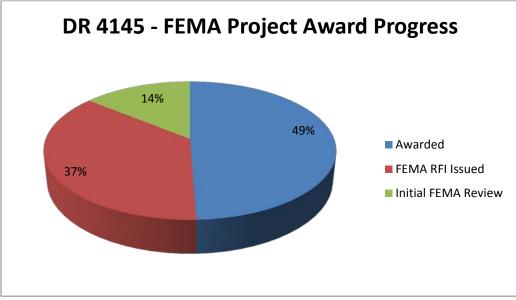
The State is currently working four disasters that involve HMGP funding: DR-4067, DR-4133, DR-4134 and DR-4145

 A total of 98 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 State has suspended the monthly HMGP Conference Call that occurs on the 2nd 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. 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.
   The conference call information has been emailed and all wildfire sub-applicants and supporting staff are highly
   encouraged to attend.



- FEMA continues to review project applications. Only 12 projects remain in the initial FEMA review queue. Many projects have been awarded and many projects have been issued a FEMA Request for Information, which requires the sub-grantee to provide clarification to FEMA. The State is working to assist the sub-grantee through the RFI process.
- Mitigation staff conducted DR-4145 Grant Kickoff meetings with the City of Brighton and Colorado State University's Colorado Climate Center. The kickoff officially launched each project discussing the state grant agreement and project requirements. The City of Brighton will be upgrading existing and installing additional outdoor warning sirens critical for citizen notification during emergency events. The Colorado Climate Center will be conducting a statewide study to examine current weather and climate assets of Colorado. The state looks forward to hosting further kickoff as more grants are awarded by FEMA.
- The Mitigation Team is now accepting Notice of Intent (NOI) forms for the FY15 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Guidance grants, including the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (PDM) and Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA). These grants represent an opportunity to improve a community's ability to mitigate natural hazards and reduce potential impacts on citizens, property and local economies. Further information can be found on the <u>DHSEM Grant Programs website</u>.

#### 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, 19 requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and 10 RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 1,132 of which 790 are recommended for payment and 177 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 165 are in progress.
- The total amount requested is \$145.0 million, and \$127.9 million is considered initially eligible. \$90.4 million has been recommended for payment, \$18.0 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$19.5 million is still in progress.
- Nine requests for scope changes were submitted in the last week, and zero were completed or deferred to closeout. The total amount of scope change requests is now 308 of which 219 are completed or deferred to closeout, and 48 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 41 are in progress.
- There have been 0 payments made in the last week.
- Announcements:
  - Next PA call will be June 26, 2015 at 9 a.m. Call in information and presentation will be sent out prior to the call.
  - Quarterly reports are due July 10, 2015.

Program	HUD CDBG-DR Infrastructure (CDBG-DR)
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC	Justine Willman, Recovery Specialist
Guidance	Action Plan - <u>http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/action-plans</u>
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. See <u>www.dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr</u> 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 Week	Cumulative
Projects accepted through NOI	0	54	\$0	\$15,159,975
Applications Received	0	54	\$0	\$15,159,975
Award Letters	0	54	\$0	\$15,159,975
Under Contract	0	16	\$0	\$3,625,131

\*Infrastructure has 10 contracts executed consisting of 16 subprojects.

- Allocation 1:
  - Contract for City of Boulder was sent to Grantee for execution of April 1, 2015.
  - o Contract for City of Loveland was sent to Grantee for execution on April 8, 2015.
  - o Additional contract for City of Loveland was sent to Grantee for execution on April 24, 2015.
  - Two contracts for El Paso County sent to Grantee for signature on May 27, 2015.
  - Contract for Town of Estes Park (4 projects) was sent to Grantee for signature on June 1, 2015.

- Additional contract for Town of Estes Park was sent to Grantee for signature on June 5, 2015.
- Contract for City of Louisville was sent to Grantee for signature on June 5, 2015.
- o Contract for Town of Frederick was sent to Grantee for signature on June 5, 2015.
- Contract for Estes Valley Recreation and Park District was sent to Grantee for signature on June 5, 2015.
- Contract for Upper Thompson Sanitation District (five projects) was sent to DOLA for final execution on May 8, 2015.
- Two contracts for City of Evans were sent to DOLA for final execution on May 8, 2015.
- Contract for Town of Jamestown was sent to DOLA for final execution on June 5, 2015.
- Sent draft contracts for the following agencies to DOLA for their review on May 14, 2015 while awaiting release of funds (ROF): Town of Lyons Acquisitions; Larimer County Big Elk Meadows; City of Manitou Springs Wildcat Gulch Culvert; Town of Windsor FEMA Match; and City of Evans Emergency Generators.
- Drafting contracts for: City of Colorado Springs North Douglas.
- Working with the Grantees to get additional payment information to finish processing.
- Allocation 2
  - DHSEM received 100 applications on May 29, 2015, staff has reviewed the applications and the review panel will start looking at these the week of June 22nd. Approved project notifications will go out the week of July 20, 2015.

#### Volunteer Coordination

Lead State AgencyColorado Recovery OfficeDHSEM POCRobyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency LiaisonProgram UpdateColorado Recovery Office

- Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD)
  - The Colorado VOAD and the Larimer county VOAD held a joint meeting on June 18, 2015 in Loveland,
     CO. There were two speakers focusing Children and disasters. A business meeting followed.



Donations and Volunteer Coordination Team (DVCT)

- The Donations and Volunteer Coordination Team members presented a 2 hour brief on all the components available for local emergency managers to avail themselves of. Jen Poitras, consultant, supports the DVCT team on behalf of the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, in addition to the State VAL, Robyn Knappe.
- June Spalding from Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief (ACS DR) focused on physical donations. A MENU of options was described to ensure donation services were implemented. Ian from Mile High United Way, 211 reported on the call services that 211 Collaborative provides statewide. Kristy Judd, CEO from Metro Volunteers discussed Spontaneous Volunteers and strategies that have been developed as a result of the DVCT such as the HelpColoradoNow Newsletter. The newsletter was showcased on line. Robyn Knappe focused on the value of the Volunteer Sign In Sheet, especially to local governments as that could make up part of the cost match through volunteer labor or goods. Other things covered were: standard donations messaging and developing an annex for Volunteer and donation managements in the local EOPs. The combined website from DHSEM and COVOAD is helpcoloradonow.org. The agencies helping for the May/June floods are listed on the website along with the fund that has been set up for the Berthoud tornado.
- The emergency managers were very engaged and a follow up meeting was requested for Broomfield.
- Thanks for Adams County and Cory Stark, DHSEM Regional Field Manager, for hosting the meeting and the invitation to present the materials on DVCT.

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