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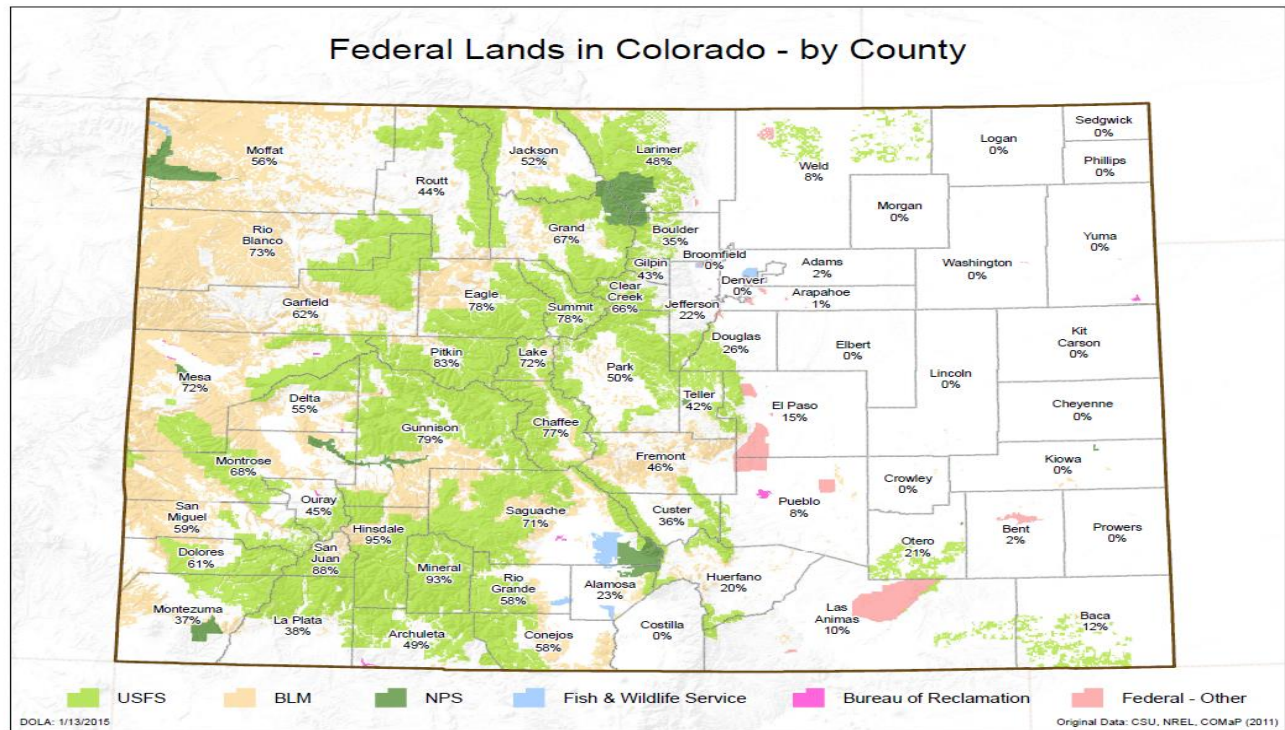
Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

Department of Public Safety

Mitigation and Recovery Program Report

June 30, 2015

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



Grant Funds for Coordinating and Planning on Federal Land in Colorado: Grant funds are available to support more effective local government coordination and engagement in federal land management decision-making processes. As a result of House Bill 15-1225, there is a total of \$1,000,000 offered per fiscal year for three years beginning Fiscal Year 2015/2016. Funding opportunities include: Planning Analysis; Public Engagement; Coordination and Collaboration with federal agencies and stakeholders; and, Other similar or related processes needed to help local government engagement in the federal land management. *All projects must be tied to improving coordination or local engagement in federal land management decision-making processes. Please visit <http://dola.colorado.gov/fedlands> for details about the program.

Assistance for Individuals, Households and Small Businesses

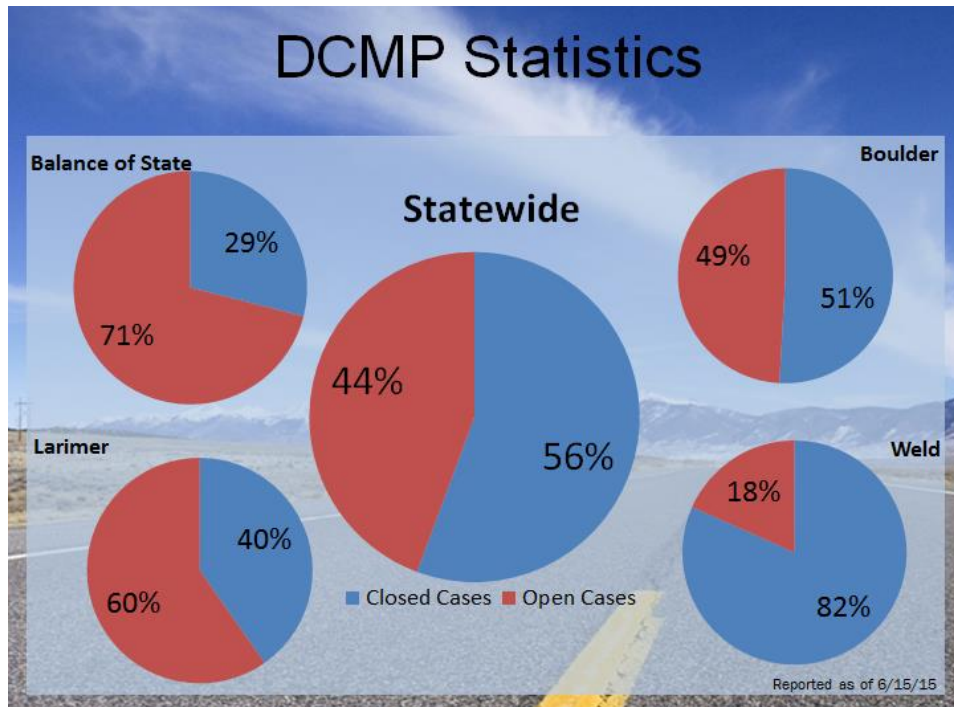
DR-4145

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 18th, 2015, FEMA approved the State's request for a 90-day extension to the Disaster Case Management Program. The extension from September 13 to December 12, 2015 will enable case managers to continue connecting individuals and families to the resources so essential to their long term recovery. This welcome news was shared with many of the DCM team at a statewide training session held June 23, 2015 at Catholic Charities' Denver headquarters. The program featured a CDBG-DR review and question and answer session. State Recovery Manager Steve Boand led off with an overview of CDBG-DR programs, explained where they may intersect with individuals, and discussed the buyout program. William Dewey from the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) responded to a variety of questions on housing programs including home access, repairs, replacement, down payment assistance, and reimbursements. Kristy Judd, Executive Director of Metro Volunteers, followed up with a briefing on the new partnership between her organization and Rebuilding Together that will help survivors in the eight Balance of State counties access CDBG-DR assistance. The agenda also included a presentation on the important subject of successfully "Closing Cases" by Janet Strickland of Catholic Charities. State Voluntary Agency Liaison Robyn Knappe ended the day with part one of a two-part presentation on Motivational Interviewing in Disaster Case Management, an approach case managers can use to help clients help themselves by tapping into their own internal motivation. Part two will be presented at the next statewide training session in late July.



- 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

The Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) – Division of Insurance (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

Program Update

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) were conducted on June 3rd, 4th, 10th, 29th and 30th for infrastructure damages and impacts incurred as a result of the Spring 2015 severe storms and snowmelt runoff. Participants included staff from local governments, FEMA, and DHSEM. PDAs were conducted in Boulder, El Paso, Elbert, Fremont, Logan, Morgan, Pueblo, Sagauche, Sedgwick, Washington, Weld, and Yuma 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, tornadoes, etc. with tasks relating to debris management and property cleanup.

Hazard Mitigation

Annual Programs

Program	FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (PDM)
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC	Scott Baldwin, Acting Deputy State Hazard Mitigation Officer
Guidance	FY 2015 Guidance & Addendum: www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279
Program Update	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	FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMAP)
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC	Scott Baldwin, Acting Deputy State Hazard Mitigation Officer
Guidance	FY 2015 Guidance & Addendum: www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279
Program Update	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 Approvable Pending Adoption (APA) status (Grand = 11 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 = 7 of 37 adoptions received to date).
- Nine HMPs in planning process (Chaffee, Colorado Springs, Costilla, Montezuma, Aurora, Routt, Pueblo, City & County of Broomfield, Larimer).
- Park County HMP Update received FEMA approval on June 22, 2015.
- Douglas County HMP Update submitted to State for review June 13, 2015.

- Various HMGP funded plan updates continue in their Request for Proposal (RFP) selection process; others will soon begin their HMP planning process.
- Initial Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM)/Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) local NOI reviews for potential Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) funding completed on June 19, 2015.
- Conducted initial review/rating of assigned CDBG-DR Round 2 applications. Participated in the initial review teleconference on June 24, 2015 and will attend the full review teleconference on July 1, 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>

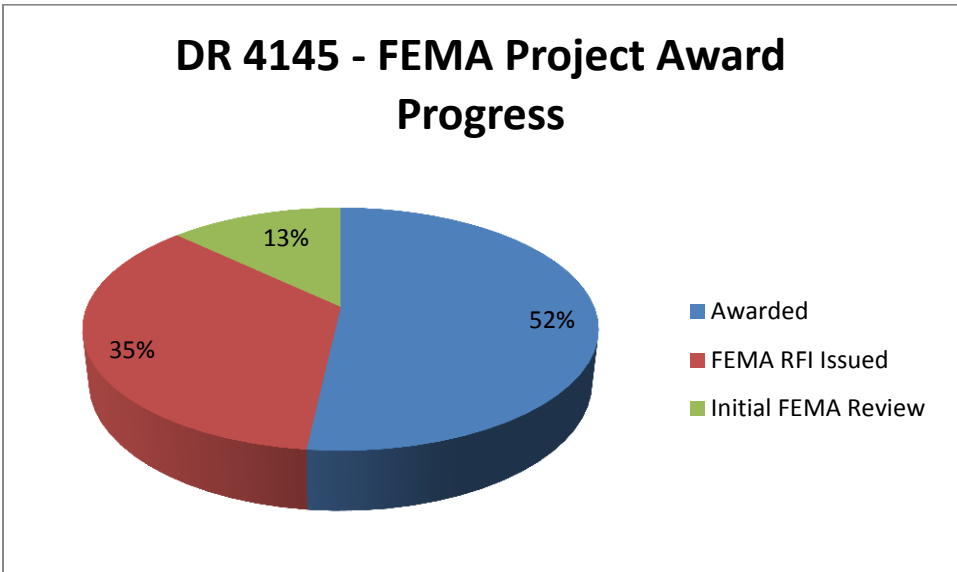
Program Update

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.** Once a FEMA RFI is distributed, sub-applicants are highly advised to provide their FEMA RFI response to the state within 20 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 20 day period will result in responses being sent to FEMA without review. Response to a FEMA RFI is mandatory within 30 days. Failure to respond to a FEMA RFI within this 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 all regular HMGP Conference Calls including 5%, Generator, Wildfire, and general information calls. 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.



- FEMA continues to review project applications. Only eleven 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 numerous HMGP grantees recently including the City of Evans, Four Mile Fire Protection District, Sunshine Fire Protection District, the Town of Superior and Weld County. The kickoffs included project initiation for 5%, generators, and minor flood control construction. The state looks forward to hosting further kickoff as more grants are awarded by FEMA.
- The Mitigation Team has received all 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) by the June 12, 2015 deadline. Mitigation staff is currently reviewing submitted NOIs for program eligibility and will be following up with local contacts soon. Further information about PDM & FMA can be found on the [DHSEM Grant Programs website](#).

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, 16 requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and 10 RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 1,151 of which 800 are recommended for payment and 182 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 169 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$146.1 million, and \$128.8 million is considered initially eligible. \$91.3 million has been recommended for payment, \$18 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$19.5 million is still in progress.
- Fourteen 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 322 of which 219 are completed or deferred to closeout, and 47 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 56 are in progress.

- There have been 48 payments made in the last week for total of \$1,703,645.00 including federal and state share.
- **Announcements:**
 - Next PA call will be July 31, 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 - <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. 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:

Infrastructure (\$19.4M)	Count		Dollar Amount	
	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	6	22	\$316,254	\$3,941,385

*Infrastructure has 13 contracts executed consisting of 22 subprojects.

- Allocation 1:
 - Contract for Upper Thompson Sanitation District (five projects) was sent to DOLA for final execution on May 8, 2015.
 - Contract for City of Evans was 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.
 - Contract for Estes Valley Recreation and Park District was sent to DOLA for final execution on June 19, 2015.
 - Contract for City of Boulder was sent to DOLA for final execution of June 26, 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 9, 2015.
 - Contracts for Town of Lyons were sent to Grantee for signature on June 10, 2015
 - Contract for City of Loveland was sent to Grantee for signature on April 8, 2015. Grantee requested changes, revised contract sent to Grantee for signature on June 22, 2015.
 - Additional contract for City of Loveland was sent to Grantee for signature on April 24, 2015. Grantee requested changes, revised contract sent to Grantee for signature on June 22, 2015.
 - Received signed contracts back from Town of Frederick. Awaiting the Release of Funds (ROF).
 - Sent draft contracts for the following agencies to DOLA for their review while awaiting ROF: Larimer County - Big Elk Meadows; City of Manitou Springs - Wildcat Gulch Culvert; and, Town of Windsor – FEMA Match.
 - 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 Agency Colorado Recovery Office
DHSEM POC Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)
Program Update

- Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD)
 - State Voluntary Agency Liaison Robyn Knappe attended the Colorado South Central Region (SCR) VOAD monthly meeting in Colorado Springs on June 25, 2015. The meeting's agenda included the following topics: subcommittee reports; volunteer hours; volunteer management; spiritual care; and, the creation of a new Facebook page. Nick DeSutter, former SCR VOAD Chair, elaborated on Volunteer Sign-In Sheets and the importance of documenting volunteer hours (*shown in picture below*). Current SCR VOAD Chair Nancy Gorish discussed the value of volunteer groups during the Black Forest fire and the September 2013 floods. Succession planning has begun for the upcoming elections for positions in October 2015.



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