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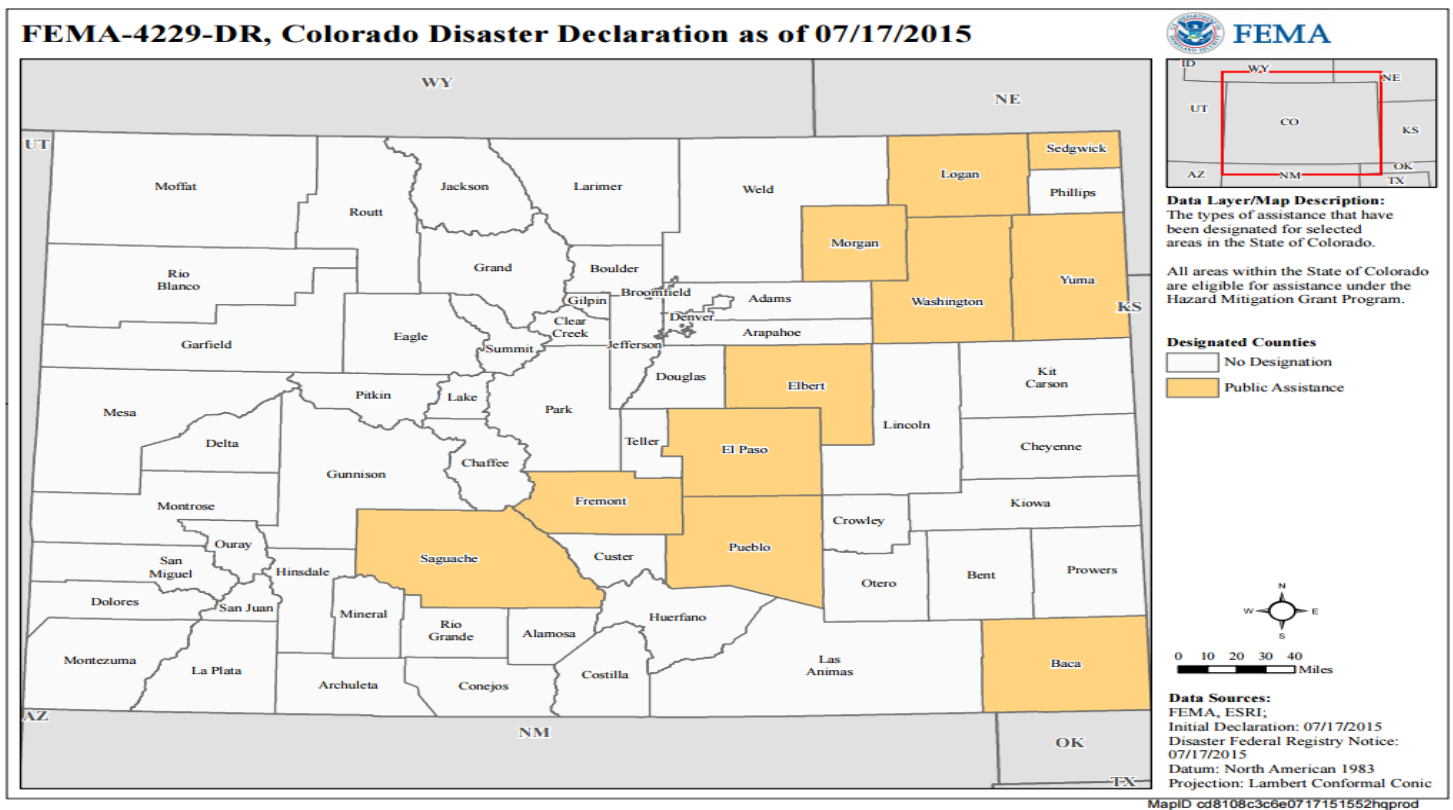
Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

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Mitigation and Recovery Program Report

July 29, 2015

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



FEMA Awards Colorado Major Disaster Declaration: President Obama issued a major disaster declaration for the State of Colorado on July 16, 2015. The declaration triggers the release of Federal funds to help our Colorado communities recover from the Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides that occurred May 4 to June 16, 2015. The current declaration includes 11 counties: Baca, Elbert, El Paso, Fremont, Logan, Morgan, Pueblo, Saguache, Sedgwick, Washington and Yuma. The State has been awarded the Public Assistance and the Hazard Mitigation grant programs. The Public Assistance program is for emergency work and the repair or replacement of disaster-damaged facilities. The Hazard Mitigation program provides assistance for actions taken to prevent or reduce long-term risk to life and property from natural hazards. The Colorado DHSEM continues to work to conduct damage assessments in other areas of the state impacted by the spring storms.

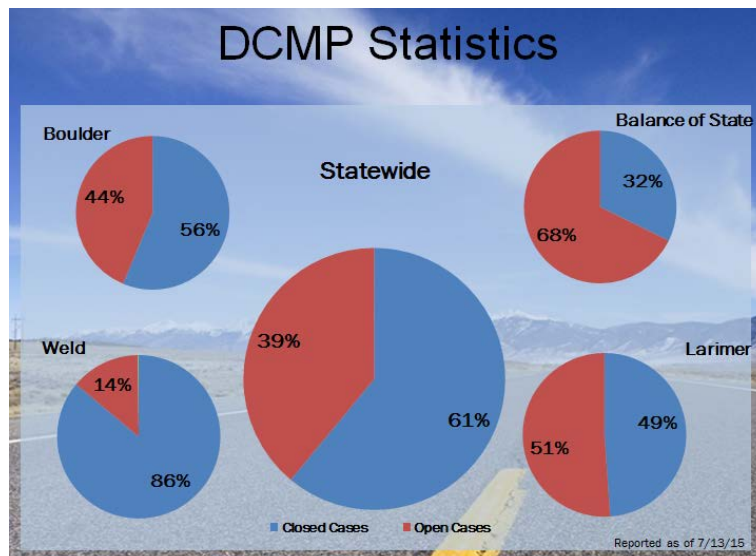
Link view the full document submitted to FEMA: [State of Colorado's Request for Presidential Disaster Declaration: Major Disaster or Emergency.](#)

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)
 - Last week, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) Robyn Knappe and Disaster Case Management (DCM) Program Manager Chuck Sullivan attended the Boulder County Long Term Flood Recovery Group's (LTFRG) Coordinating Committee meeting. Regular committee reports and updates on staffing, finances, and buyout activity were followed by a broad discussion on transition planning. The discussion focused the planned closure of the LTFRG in December, the subsequent handling of open client cases, document storage requirements and final program reporting for the LTRG. Transition planning was also the focus of a meeting that Robyn Knappe and Chuck Sullivan had with Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance and Disaster Recovery Manager, Diane Elio, on July 23, 2015. Catholic Charities is the State's FEMA sub-grantee providing case management to flood survivors in Boulder, Weld and the eight Balance of State counties. Along with county long term recovery groups and other community organizations, they are a key partner in planning for office closures and the transitioning of open cases to other entities when the DCMP grant ends. A similar planning meeting with Lutheran Family Services, the sub-grantee for Larimer County, was held in early July. In the coming months, the DCMP team will continue to work these organizations, FEMA and local communities to ensure a successful program closure.
 - A Psychological First Aid: Helping Others in Times of Stress training will be help on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Medical Center of the Rockies, 2500 Rocky Mountain Avenue, Loveland, Colorado 80538. This training will help you to better recognize and manage the basic symptoms of psychological distress. You will also learn the psychological first aid tools to bolster individuals' functioning during times of extreme stress. For more information, please contact Jaclyn Kurle at Jaclyn.kurle@state.co.us.
 - Progress pie charts will be distributed monthly. The following percentages capture all closed and all open cases per disaster case management center, along with 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	<p>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”.</p> <p>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.</p>

Damage Assessment

Spring 2015

Program	FEMA Preliminary Damage Assessment
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC	Deanna Butterbaugh, Deputy State Public Assistance Officer
Program Update	<p>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. The State of Colorado submitted a request to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) on July 8, 2015 for a major disaster declaration as a result of severe weather and flooding that occurred between April 16 and June 20, 2015. The State requested eleven counties be included in the disaster declaration for Public Assistance based on the joint preliminary damage assessments conducted in Baca, Elbert, El Paso, Fremont, Logan, Morgan, Pueblo, Saguache, Sedgwick, Washington, and Yuma counties. President Obama issued a major disaster declaration for the State of Colorado on July 16, 2015 for Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides that occurred May 4 to June 16, 2015. Additional PDAs are scheduled for Arapahoe, Boulder (Longmont), Denver, Park, and Weld Counties.</p>

Debris Management

Spring 2015

Program	NA
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC	Robyn Knappe, Voluntary Agency Liaison
Program Update	<p>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.</p>

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 *State* 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 *State* 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

- Mesa County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Update received FEMA approval on July 22, 2015.
- Grand County HMP Update submitted to FEMA for final approval on July 21, 2015.
- Douglas County HMP Update under State review.
- Four local HMPs remain in Approvable Pending Adoption (APA) status (Teller = 0 of 4 adoptions received to date; Fremont = 2 of 4 adoptions received to date; El Paso = 0 of 8 adoptions received to date; NE Region = 17 of 37 adoptions received to date).
- At least ten HMPs in planning process (Aurora, Broomfield, Chaffee, Colorado Springs, Costilla, Larimer, Montezuma, Pueblo, Routt, Weld).
- Review/approval of EMGrants DR-4145 HMGP local planning grant quarterly reports (Q3).
- Provided technical assistance as requested from various HMGP Planning Grant and other local mitigation planning jurisdictions.
- Coordinating August 4-5 (G318) Local Mitigation Planning Workshop with FEMA.

DRs-4067, 4133, 4134, 4145

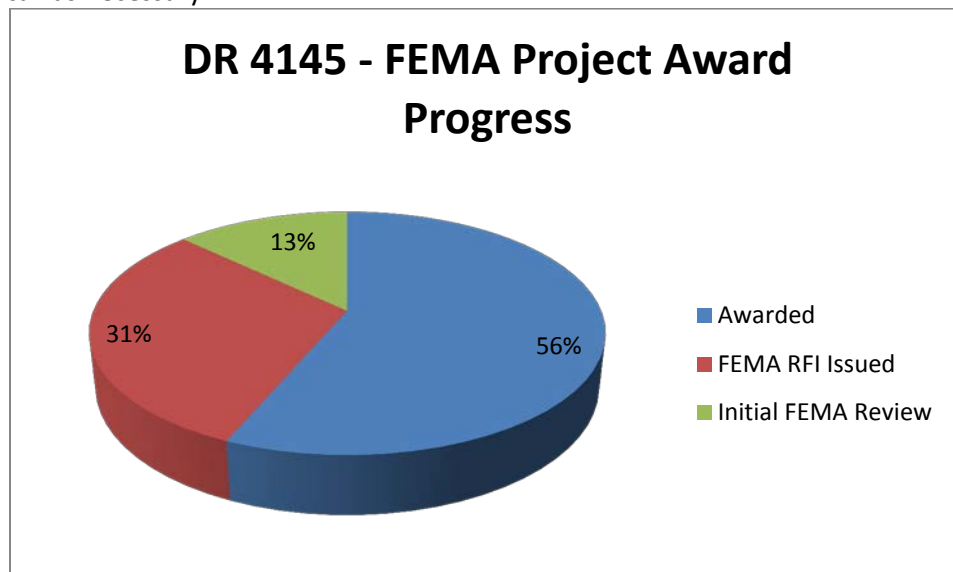
Program FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
Lead State Agency DHSEM
DHSEM POC Scott Baldwin, Mitigation Specialist
Guidance FEMA HMGP guidance documents may be found at <http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program>
Program Update

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 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 is mandatory within thirty 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.

- The Mitigation Team has reviewed all Notice of Intent (NOI) submitted 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 has contacted all eligibility applicants and AmecFoster-Wheeler will be providing individual application support and development to submit formal applications to FEMA. Further information about PDM and FMA can be found on the [DHSEM Grant Programs website](#).
- Mitigation staff conducted a kickoff meeting with Clear Creek County for an approved wildfire mitigation project under HMGP DR-4145. The Hazardous Fuels Reduction (HFR) project help reduce wildfire risk for a community of residential properties in Clear Creek County.
- Mitigation staff and FEMA conducted site visits with the City of Longmont and the City of Fort Collins for flood mitigation projects submitted under HMGP DR-4145. The site visits were necessary to assist in FEMA Environmental & Historic Preservation (EHP) determinations.



State & FEMA Mitigation staff met with the City of Fort Collins to review a proposed flood mitigation project for HMGP DR-4145.

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, ten requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and twelve RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 1,226 of which 832 are recommended for payment and 191 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 203 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$148.65 million, and \$130.8 million is considered initially eligible.

\$92.15 million has been recommended for payment, \$18.85 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$19.8 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 336 of which 234 are completed or deferred to closeout, and 53 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 49 are in progress.
- Payments have been updated in the EMGrantsPRO system. The system shows that 90 payments have been made in the last week for total of \$5,160,929.90 including federal and state share. These payments were sent out as they were completed over the last four weeks.
- **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.

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 can be found www.dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr.
- The following table summarizes the grant award status of the CDBG-DR Infrastructure Program:

Allocation 1 – 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
Projects Awarded	0	54	\$0	\$15,852,881
Projects Under Contract	3	25	\$3,385,141	\$8,138,347
Projects Started (first draw)	1	1	\$0	\$7,730

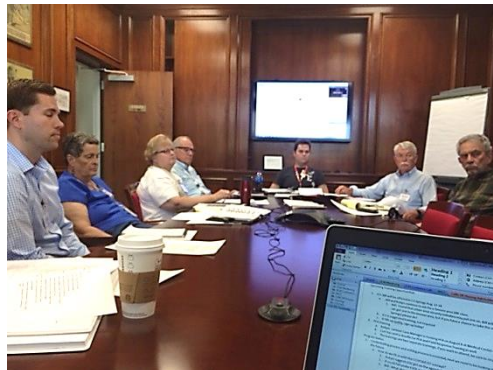
- Allocation 1
 - Contract for City of Loveland, sent to Grantee for execution April 8, 2015. Grantee has requested a few changes, sent out to Grantee for signature on June 22, 2015.
 - Contract for City of Loveland, sent to Grantee for execution on April 24, 2015. Grantee has requested a few changes, sent out to Grantee for signature on June 22, 2015.
 - Contract for El Paso County - two contracts, received back from Grantee on July 23, 2015.
 - Contract for City of Louisville, sent to Grantee for signature on June 9, 2015.
 - Contracts for Town of Lyons -Acquisition of four properties (1a) and three/four properties (1b), sent 1(a) to DOLA for final execution and waiting for Release of Funds (ROF) for 1(b).
 - Contract for Larimer County – Big Elk Meadows, sent to Grantee for signature on July 6, 2015.
 - Contract for City of Manitou Springs - Wildcat Gulch Culvert, received back from Grantee on July 23, 2015, waiting on ROF.
 - Contract for Town of Windsor – FEMA Match, received back from Grantee on July 15, 2015.
 - Drafted contracts for: Colorado Springs – North Douglas and Aurora Housing Authority; sent to DOLA for review.

- Working with the Grantees to get additional information to finish processing payment requests which includes Davis Bacon compliance.
- Allocation 2
 - DHSEM received 100 applications on May 29, 2015, staff has reviewed the applications and the review panel started looking at these June 22, 2015. Project notifications went out on Wednesday, July 22, 2015 explaining which projects should proceed with Environmental Review and full budget analysis.

Volunteer Coordination

Lead State Agency Colorado Recovery Office
DHSEM POC Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)
Program Update

- Colorado Voluntary Agency Active in Disaster (COVOAD)
 - On July 22, 2015, The State Voluntary Agency Liaison, Robyn Knappe, attended the COVOAD Emotional and Spiritual Care Committee (ESCC) meeting. The group, chaired by Don Falvey of United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), continued to build the Emotional and Spiritual Care Provider Program. After discussing curriculum and credentialing, the committee decided it was time to move forward and begin discussing the mobilization process for Emotional and Spiritual Care Providers. The next ESCC Meeting will be August 17, 2015. ESCC plans to have reports from the Curriculum and Credentialing Committees, updates from ESCC members who will be attending the National Disaster Spiritual Care Summit in Chicago, a focused discussion on program mobilization and goals for the Emotional and Spiritual Care Provider Program.



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