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Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

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Mitigation and Recovery Program Report

October 15, 2015

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



Broadmoor Bluffs Landslide *Colorado Springs continues to experience earth movement as a result of the Spring 2015 rainfall. Residents of the neighborhood have reported damage to seven homes and one empty lot. One home has already been declared uninhabitable by the City of Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs Office of Emergency Management continues to monitor the situation. To assist residents affected by the Spring 2015 storms, DHSEM State Voluntary Agency Liaison, Robyn Knappe, is planning a "Disaster Recovery Resource Seminar" in conjunction with El Paso County, City of Colorado Springs, South Central Region Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD) and Catholic Charities. The Seminar will be held at the Colorado Springs Office of Emergency Management on Tuesday, November 10. Those who attend will be provided with information and presentations on available resources, such as Small Business Administration Loans, Operation Hope, Colorado Geological Survey, and legal assistance. Additional details on the resource seminar will be available soon.*

Assistance for Individuals, Households and Small Businesses

Program Small Business Administration Disaster Loans
Lead State Agency DHSEM
DHSEM POC Marilyn Gally
Program Update

- U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Disaster Declaration #14467 and #14468. Effective September 16, 2015, SBA loans for physical damage and economic injury are available in El Paso, Crowley, Fremont, Teller, Douglas, Lincoln, Elbert, and Pueblo Counties.
- The filing deadline to return applications for property damage is November 16, 2015. The deadline to return economic injury applications is June 16, 2016. ([SBA Disaster Loans](#))

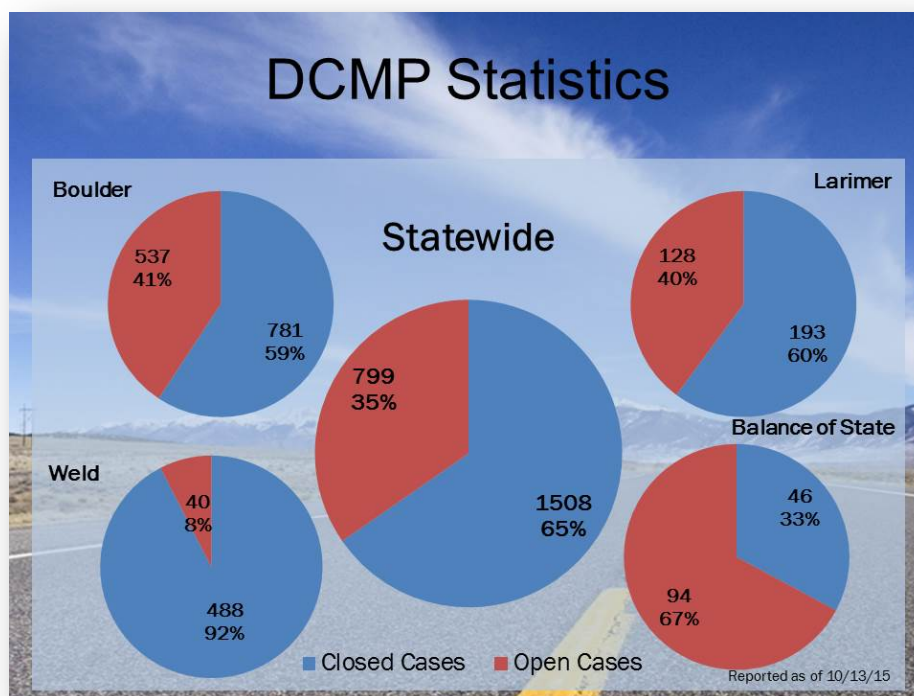


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Program FEMA Disaster Case Management Program (DCM)
Lead State Agency DHSEM
DHSEM POC Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)
Program Update

Disaster Case Management Program (DCMP)

- At September 30, 2015, two years after 2013's record floods, the number of open survivor cases was 799. Just over one-half of these cases (413) are being overseen by the State's Disaster Case Management Program (DCMP). On a Statewide basis, of the more than 2,300 cases opened since the floods, nearly two-thirds have been closed. Many of the remaining open cases are the most challenging and have requested assistance under several Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) housing programs (home access, repairs and/or replacement) being administered by Colorado's Department of Local Affairs (DOLA). Assistance under these programs requires extensive environmental and cost reviews. To continue helping these clients, as well as others seeking help from other sources, the State asked for --- and subsequently received --- FEMA's approval to extend Disaster Case Management Program (DCMP) services from December 12, 2015 to March 11, 2016. The State is working closely with its grant sub-recipients, Catholic Charities and Lutheran Family Services; the Boulder, Larimer and Weld County long term recovery groups (LTRG's); non-profits and local government agencies to use this additional time effectively in support of our neighbors in need.



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

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Program	FEMA Preliminary Damage Assessment
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC	Steve Board, Deputy State Public Assistance Officer
Program Update	

- Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) for DR-4229

- Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments were conducted in June and again in early August 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.
- 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 State submitted a request to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) on August 7, 2015 for the designation of additional counties for Public Assistance under Major Disaster Declaration DR-4229 to include Adams, Boulder, and Park counties and the City and County of Denver. As of August 12, 2015, the request to designate the additional counties has been approved.
- The State conducted Applicant Briefings and FEMA held Kick-Off Meetings in August and September for entities Requesting Public Assistance.

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.

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, was due to FEMA on 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, was due to FEMA on August 28, 2015.

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

- City of Aurora Hazard Mitigation Program (HMP) under State review.
- One local HMP in Approved Pending Adoption (APA) status (Arapahoe County = 1 of 13 adoptions to date).
- Northeast Region continues to procure local HMP adoptions (24 of 37 adoptions received to date).
- El Paso County continues to procure local HMP adoptions (7 of 8 adoptions received to date).
- Two HMPs in FEMA Required Revisions (RR) process (Boulder County and Douglas County).
- At least thirteen HMPs in planning process (Broomfield, Chaffee, Clear Creek, Colorado Springs, Costilla, Jefferson, Larimer, Montezuma, Pueblo, Rio Blanco, Routt, San Miguel, Weld).
- Dolores County (HMP update) and San Juan County (new HMP) in grant application process; San Luis Valley (5 counties) also beginning grant application process for regional HMP update.
- Continued attendance and participation at local HMP development meetings; technical assistance provided as requested from various HMGP Planning Grant and other local mitigation planning jurisdictions.



DRs-4067, 4133, 4134, 4145, 4229

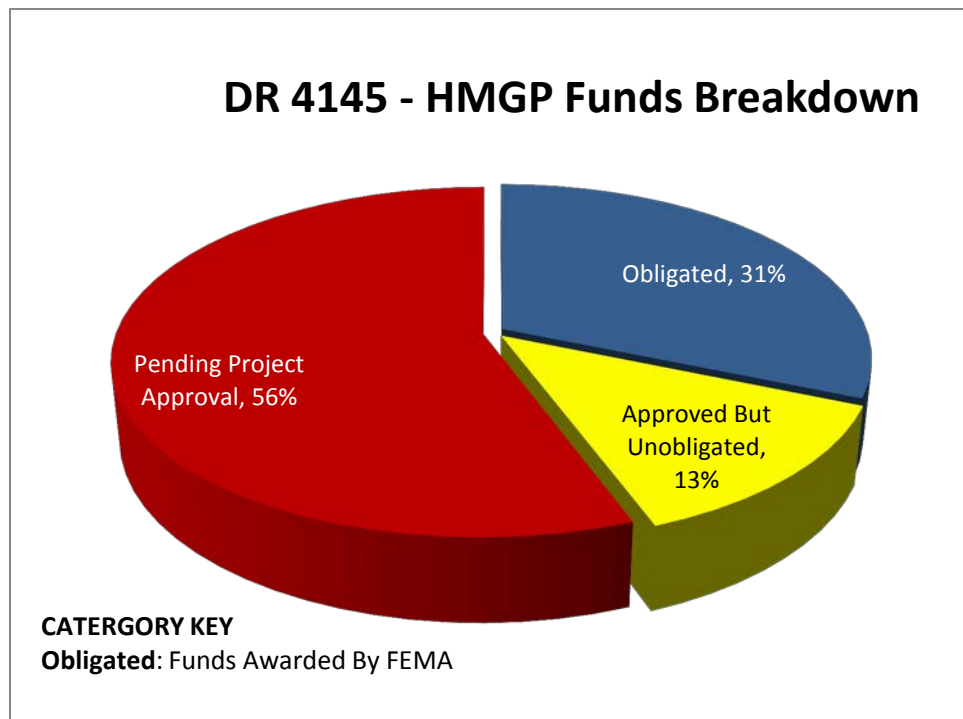
Program FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
Lead State Agency DHSEM
DHSEM POC Scott Baldwin, Mitigation Specialist
Guidance FEMA HMGP guidance documents may be found at <http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program>

Program Update

The State is currently working five disasters that involve HMGP funding: DR 4067, 4133, 4134, 4145, and 4229. A breakdown of projects by disaster is below:

Disaster	Number of Projects
4067	4
4133	2
4134	7
4145	79
Total Projects	92

FEMA continues to review project applications. Only nine projects remain in the initial FEMA review queue due to extended project analysis, technical feasibility, environmental, historical, cultural review/studies and/or project phasing deliverables. The majority of projects have been awarded and the state continues to coordinate projects still under review.



The Mitigation Team has submitted applications for the FY15 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Guidance grants, including the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (PDM) and Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA). Further information about PDM & FMA can be found on the [DHSEM Grant Programs website](#).

HMGP 4229 Applicant Briefing

The Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management's (DHSEM) Office of Emergency Management will be hosting the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) DR-4229 Applicant Briefing at 9 a.m. on Thursday, October 22nd at the State Emergency Operations Center:

9195 E. Mineral Ave.
Centennial, CO 80012
2nd Floor

Information regarding eligible projects, funding priorities and program timelines will be shared at the briefing. The presentation will be hosted both in person as well as via Adobe Connect web conferencing and should last approximately two to three hours depending on questions.

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	

DR-4145

- In the last week, six requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and 20 RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 1,440 of which 1,035 are recommended for payment and 202 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 203 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$170.9 million, and \$152.2 million is considered initially eligible. \$109.7 million has been recommended for payment, \$20.1 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$22.4 million is still in progress.
- Ten 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 373 of which 256 are completed or deferred to closeout, and 57 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 60 are in progress.
- There have been zero payments made in the last week for total of zero dollars including federal and state share.
- One hundred and sixty-one small project closeouts and two large project closeouts have been submitted to FEMA.
- **Announcements:**
 - Next PA call will be October 30, 2015 at 9 a.m. Call in information and presentation will be sent out prior to the call.

DR-4229

- As of September 29, 2015, there are 56 Project Worksheets (PWs) entered into the Federal grant management system, EMMIE. That is roughly 26% of the projected 219 total PWs. The goal is to have 75% of PWs completed by Halloween and 100% completed by Thanksgiving.
- Hurricane Joaquin may require FEMA to move their Project Specialist from Colorado to the East Coast. This heightens the urgency for all of us in Colorado to complete the PWs we are processing. Once the FEMA PA

Project Specialists leave Colorado, all of the PW writing will transition to FEMA Region VIII along with the backlog of DR-4145.

- Please work with your FEMA PA to get the information necessary for your PW. Estimations may be used for writing the PWs. It is crucial for local entities to work with their FEMA PA Project Specialist on getting the information necessary to complete the PW as soon as possible.
- DHSEM is currently in process of writing the first Purchase Orders for Small Projects (PW<\$121,600) and the first Grant Agreements for Large Projects (PW>\$121,600). The Purchase Orders and Grant Agreements are the mechanisms for payment processing to begin.
- Purchase Orders will be a rather simple process. For projects under \$121,600, a Purchase Order will be completed and submitted to the sub grantee and will soon after receive a check for the total amount.
- Grant Agreements will be drafted for projects over \$121,600 and sent to the sub grantee for review and approve. Once the grant agreement has been signed by the Authorized Agent, the grant agreement will be sent back to DHSEM and then to the CDPS Controller for signature. This is a timely process that requires each agency to get signatures in a timely manner.

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

1st Allocation – Infrastructure Program (\$21,067,600)

Infrastructure (\$19.4M)	Count			Dollar Amount		
	This Month	Previous	Cumulative	This Month	Previous	Cumulative
Projects Awarded	0	54	54	\$0	\$15,965,360	\$15,965,360
Projects Under Contract	0	37	37	\$0	\$11,131,473	\$11,131,473
# Projects Started (first draw)*	4	0	4	\$0	\$83,476	\$83,476
# Projects Completed	1	0	1	\$0	\$7,344	\$7,344

*Include Completed Projects

1st Allocation Comments

- Contract for City of Louisville received back from Grantee July 29, 2015, waiting for ROF.
- Contract for Larimer County – Big Elk Meadows sent to Grantee for signature on July 6, 2015.
- Contract for Larimer County sent to DOLA for signature on September 28, 2015.
- Contracts for City of Loveland sent to DOLA for signature.
- Projects under construction:
- Estes Park and Upper Thompson Sanitation District – Fish Creek Corridor
- Town of Frederick – Bella Rosa and Wetland Loop
- Jamestown – Water Plant

2nd Allocation – Infrastructure Program (\$34,278,810)

Infrastructure (\$34.2M)	Count			Dollar Amount		
	This Month	Previous	Cumulative	This Month	Previous	Cumulative
Projects Awarded	0	1	1	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
Projects Under Contract	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
# Projects Started (first draw)*	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
# Projects Completed	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0

*Include Completed Projects

2nd Allocation Comments

- DHSEM received 100 applications on May 29, 2015. Project notifications went out on Wednesday, July 22, 2015 explaining which projects would be receiving a *Next Steps Letter*.
- DHSEM will be sending out *Next Steps Letters* in September/October 2015.
- DHSEM received appeals to the 2nd allocation on Monday, October 5, 2015.

Volunteer Coordination

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

- The State VAL is providing support to the South Region as they form a new VOAD. On Tuesday, October 6, Fremont, Heurfino, and Pueblo County emergency management officials met with area non-profit agencies to discuss the new VOAD. Their goal was to bring together a small nucleus of agency representatives to discuss the formulation of the South Region VOAD. The meeting was fruitful and Sally Broomfield of the Pikes Peak American Red Cross is the leader of the group.



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If you are unsure of the appropriate contact or if you have general questions/concerns for any of the grant programs, please call the Colorado Recovery Hotline at 720-500-5510.

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