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# Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

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# **Mitigation and Recovery Program Report**

October 29, 2015

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



**Happy Halloween!** Recovery can be scary, but having a good plan can help. This Halloween, be sure to plan ahead to stay safe. Check out <u>READYColorado</u> for safety tips.

## 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)





DR-4145

Program FEMA Disaster Case Management Program (DCM)

Lead State Agency DHSEM

**DHSEM POC** Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)

**Program Update** 

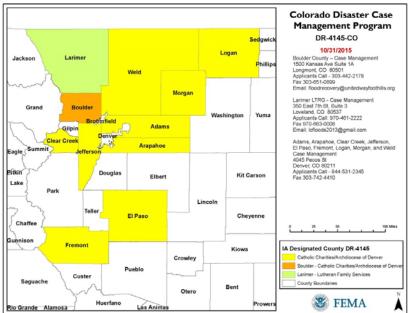
#### Disaster Case Management Program (DCMP) 10/20/15

- Boulder Long Term Flood Recovery Group
  - O Boulder Long Term Flood Recovery Group (LTFRG) has launched a series of after action reports (AAR's). The debriefing schedule is spanning a few weeks starting October 20 with the construction subcommittee and ending November 5 with the Case Manager Supervisors. Laura Spicer, MSW Intern, is facilitating the meetings which last two hours and complete with 3-5 action items that can be used for best practices and possible recommendations for future improvement. At least 13 meetings are being held to produce a comprehensive AAR with lessons learned and recommendations that can be turned into an improvement plan.
  - On October 20th, the LTFRG Volunteers Subcommittee had the debrief with volunteer coordinator Larry Glover from United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), the current Volunteer Committee Chair, Deb Campbell from UMCOR and other volunteer coordinators from Habitat for Humanity, Nina from Jamestown, Metro Volunteers former volunteer coordinator Maya Teller who was funded by the State of Colorado, Julie Phillips from United Way and the current Boulder County Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (BOCOVOAD) Chairperson.
  - The State VAL and two state MARS staff attended the debrief and were able to give input to the committee. Some things that were important to the group was collecting the volunteer value in debris

- clean up and rebuilding. This volunteer value can help defray the cost of homeowners, and create a soft match for grant funding for municipalities, town or counties when there is a federal disaster declaration. The value of volunteer labor is not always counted but a great need in Colorado is to fund the "boots on the ground" volunteer safety, coordination and guidance. Not every town, city or county has volunteer coordinators in place and the State of Colorado has been very lucky to have funding to support volunteer coordinators through a contract agreement with Metro Volunteers.
- Did you know that if volunteer labor is utilized to help rebuild a home it usually will cost approximately one half the cost? The ability to defray costs by 50 percent adds to the effectiveness and efficiency of paying for a volunteer coordinator to assist and direct the work of the volunteer teams. The Boulder Volunteer Committee has work for a volunteer coordinator for at least one more year.

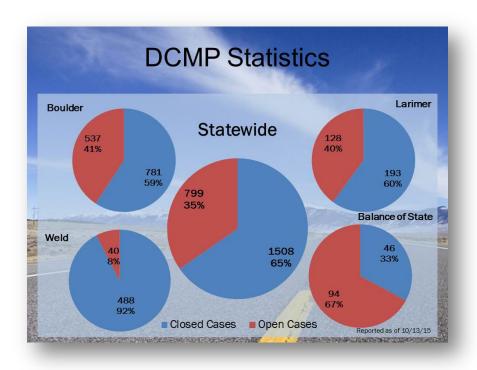


• The Weld Recovers office in downtown Greeley is closing on October 30, 2015. It has been home to the Disaster Case Management Program (DCMP) staff for more than a year. The DCMP staff will continue to assist clients out of donated office space at both Catholic Charities and Habitat for Humanity locations in the county. Flood survivors can contact DCMP staff by calling Catholic Charities' Flood Survivor Toll Free Number at 844-531-2345. The phone and fax numbers and permanent mailing address are displayed on the updated map below. Please feel free to share this information.



• 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 the Colorado 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: <a href="http://www.dhsem.state.co.us/news/2015-06-05/consumer-alert-five-insurance-tips-storm-damage-colorado-dora">http://www.dhsem.state.co.us/news/2015-06-05/consumer-alert-five-insurance-tips-storm-damage-colorado-dora</a>. 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**

DR-4229

**Program** FEMA Preliminary Damage Assessment

Lead State Agency DHSEM

**DHSEM POC** Steve Boand, Deputy State Public Assistance Officer

**Program Update** 

• Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) and Applicant Briefings have been completed for DR-4229.

# **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 for the \$30 million 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 National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). FEMA has announced program availability for this year. DHSEM is currently accepting notices of interest/intent from eligible potential sub-applicants for the \$150 million 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** 

#### October 26, 2015

- City of Aurora Hazard Mitigation Program (HMP) Update sent to FEMA for review on October 31, 2015.
- One local HMP in approved pending adoption (APA) status (Arapahoe County = 4 of 13 adoptions to date).
- Northeast Region continues to procure local HMP adoptions (30 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 fifteen HMPs in planning process (Broomfield, Chaffee, Clear Creek, Colorado Springs, Costilla, Custer, Jefferson, Larimer, Las Animas, Montezuma, Pueblo, Rio Blanco, Routt, San Miguel, Weld).
- DR-4229 Planning Notice of Interests (NOIs), due 11/7/2015, are being developed by interested jurisdictions (Delta, Montrose)
- Dolores County (HMP Update), San Juan County (new HMP), and San Luis Valley (Five County Regional HMP Update) in contract and grant application process.
- 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.







Las Animas County HMP Kickoff Meeting, 10/20/15



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

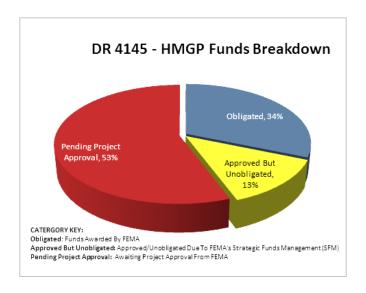
http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program

#### **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	78
Total Projects	91

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.

The State is accepting Notice of Interest (NOI) for eligible projects for HMGP DR-4229. Completed NOIs for all projects (with the exception of mitigation plans) must be submitted to DHSEM no later than close of business **Friday, November 6, 2015**. NOIs by project type can be found on the <u>Mitigation & Recovery, 4229 Hazard Mitigation Assistance website</u>.

#### **Evans Fire Protection District Receives New Emergency Generator**





A crane lowers a backup generator funded under DR-4145 HMPG, at Station #2 for the Evans Fire Protection District Fire.

The Evans Fire Protection District received their emergency backup generator via crane for Fire Station #2 on October 26, 2016. The generator funded through an HMPG DR-4145 grant, will ensure continuous power for the only staffed fire station in the City of Evans which is a vital in providing life safety to citizens and visitors.

#### Mitigation Team Welcomes New Staff!



Vanessa Castillo recently joined DHSEM as a Mitigation Specialist. Vanessa received her BA in Geography and Environment from Boston University in 2010 and completed her Master of Science in Urban Planning from Florida State University in 2014. While working on her Masters, Vanessa participated in the Peace Corps serving as a Micro-Enterprise Adviser in Togo, West Africa for two years.

Professionally, Vanessa worked as a Mitigation Planner with the Florida Division of Emergency Management providing guidance and technical assistance to Florida's southern counties on mitigation planning principles and most recently worked as an Insurance Specialist with the Social Security Administration. The Mitigation Team is excited to welcome Vanessa and we look forward to her

contributions at DHSEM.

#### **Infrastructure**

**Program** FEMA Public Assistance Program (PA)

Lead State Agency DHSEM

**DHSEM POC** Johan Barrios, Recovery Specialist

Guidance <a href="http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit/">http://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit/</a>

**Program Update** 

#### DR-4145

- In the last week, 23 requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and 23 RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 1475 of which 1067 are recommended for payment and 214 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 194 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$176.1 million, and \$157.1 million is considered initially eligible. \$114.3 million has been recommended for payment, \$22.5 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$20.3 million is still in progress.
- Five requests for scope changes were submitted in the last week, and nine were completed or deferred to closeout. The total amount of scope change requests is now 384 of which 265 are completed or deferred to closeout, and 60 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 59 are in progress.
- There have been 140 payments made in the last week for total of \$4,744,290.54 including federal and state share
- One-hundred and seventy-nine small project closeout requests and 12 large project closeouts have been submitted to FEMA.

#### DR-4229

- 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 (POs) for Small Projects (PW<\$121,600) and the first Grant Agreements (GAs) for Large Projects (PW>\$121,600). The Purchase Orders and Grant Agreements are the mechanisms for payment processing to begin.
- As of October 19, 2015:
  - o 31 Obligated Projects, 23 Small Projects and 8 Large Projects
    - Purchase Orders for Small Projects
      - 13 POs have been submitted to Finance for Approval
      - Ten POs are in Draft
    - Grant Agreement for Large Projects
      - Two GAs mailed to Sub-Grantee
      - Four GAs submitted to Grants
      - Two GAs in draft
- 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.

#### Announcements:

o The Monthly PA Applicants Assistance Call is Thursday, November 12, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. Please submit questions you wish to be addressed during this teleconference to: <a href="mailto:cdps">cdps</a> <a href="mailto:dhsem">dhsem</a> <a href="mailto:PA4229@state.co.us">PA4229@state.co.us</a>

Program HUD CDBG-DR Infrastructure (CDBG-DR)

Lead State Agency DHSEM

**DHSEM POC** Justine Willman, Recovery Specialist

Guidance Action Plan - <a href="http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/action-plans">http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/action-plans</a>

Forms <a href="http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/impacted-areas">http://dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr/content/impacted-areas</a>

**Program Update** 

#### Expenditure & Performance Report for the Week Ending October 23, 2015

### **Program: Infrastructure**

Infrastructur	e Summary								
Allocation	Allocation Amount	# of Projects	Total Award	Obligated	Monthly Expenditures	Expenditures to Date	% Expended	Remainging Balance	# Projects Completed
1st Allocation	\$21,067,600.00	50	\$17,077,877.15	\$12,222,199.00	\$176,380.00	\$83,476.00	0.49%	\$16,994,401.15	1
2nd Allocation	\$34,278,810.00	17	\$18,371,997.82				0.00%	\$18,371,997.82	
3rd Allocation	\$11,766,617.00						#DIV/0!	\$0.00	
Total	\$ 67,113,027.00	67	\$ 35,449,874.97	\$ 12,222,199.00	\$ 176,380.00	\$ 83,476.00	#DIV/0!	\$ 35,366,398.97	1

#### **Summary Narrative**

- 50 projects have currently been awarded and 40 are under contract in the 1<sup>st</sup> Allocation.
- 16 projects have currently been awarded in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Allocation.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Allocation – Infrastructure Program (\$21,067,600)

	Count			Dollar Amount			
Infrastructure (\$19.4M)	This Month	Previous	Cumulative	This Month	Previous	Cumulative	
Projects Awarded	0	54	54	\$0	\$15,965,360	\$15,965,360	
Projects Under Contract	3	37	40	\$1,090,726	\$11,131,473	\$12,222,199	
# Projects Started (first draw)*	1	4	5	\$176,380	\$83,476	\$259,856	
# Projects Completed	0	1	1	\$0	\$7,344	\$7,344	

<sup>\*</sup>Include Completed Projects

#### 1<sup>st</sup> 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.
- Projects under construction:
  - Estes Park and Upper Thompson Sanitation District Fish Creek Corridor
  - Town of Frederick Bella Rosa and Wetland Loop
  - Jamestown Water Plant

#### Contracts that got executed in October:

- Amendment for Town of Frederick, the budget line items got rearranged to meet the project needs
- Larimer County FEMA PA Match for road reconstruction
- City of Loveland, reimbursement for water/sewer line repairs

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Allocation – Infrastructure Program (\$34,278,810)

	Count			Dollar Amount			
Infrastructure (\$34.2M)	This Month	Previous	Cumulative	This Month	Previous	Cumulative	
Projects Awarded	16	1	17	\$13,371,998	\$5,000,000	\$18,371,998	
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	

<sup>\*</sup>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 received appeals for the 2<sup>nd</sup> allocation on Monday, October 5, 2015.
- DHSEM has sent Next Steps Letters to the following organizations:
  - o Adams County
  - o Big Elk Meadows
  - o City of Evans
  - o City of Loveland
  - City of Manitou Springs
  - o El Paso County
  - o Larimer County
  - o Town of Estes Park

#### **Volunteer Coordination**

**Lead State Agency** Colorado Recovery Office

**DHSEM POC** Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)

**Program Update** 

- South Central Region Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (SCR VOAD)
  - o MARS Staff members Mercedes Schwall and Jaclyn Kurle attended the SCR VOAD Training Academy in Woodland Park on October 23. The Academy featured presentations on Psychological First Aid, Incident Command System, National Incident Management System, Donation Management, Liaising with Government Agencies, and Sheltering Considerations for Faith Based Organizations.
  - State VAL, Robyn Knappe presented with Theresa Springer,
     Coalition for the Upper South Platte (CUSP), on the challenges of managing spontaneous unaffiliated volunteers.
  - In addition to presentations, the Academy provided an excellent opportunity for organizations to network among



themselves and plan partnerships for future disaster response work.

# **Mitigation and Recovery Points of Contact**

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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