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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.



Volunteers from the Colorado Baptist Disaster Relief (CBDR) remove mud and affected drywall from a Naturita basement.

The Colorado Baptist Disaster Relief has been conducting clean up and muck-out activities across the state. Members of the organization, including those from Wyoming, Utah and Idaho chapters, completed ash-outs and for nine households affected by the Cold Springs Fire. The group continues to provide clean up assistance to residents affected by the recent Naturita flooding and the Colorado Springs Hail Storm.

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. A State application, including sub-applications, was submitted to FEMA on August 28, 2015. The application is pending.

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). The State submitted an application to FEMA on August 28, 2015. The application is pending.

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

Program Update: September 8, 2016

- Gilpin County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Update received FEMA Approvable Pending Adoption (APA) status on August 19, 2016.
- Clear Creek County HMP Update received FEMA APA status on August 22, 2016.
- Chaffee County HMP Update received FEMA APA status on September 7, 2016.
- Denver County HMP Update under State review.
- Pueblo County HMP Update local revisions in process.
- Costilla County HMP/Comprehensive Plan revisions in process.
- HMPs in planning process: Custer, Elbert, Dolores, Las Animas, Manitou Springs (Master Plan/HMP), Routt, San Juan, San Luis Valley (Alamosa, Conejos, Mineral, Rio Grande, Saguache), San Miguel, Thornton/Federal Heights/Northglenn.
- Current EMGrants Planning Requests for Reimbursement (RfRs) in process.
- Colorado Enhanced State Hazard Mitigation Plan (SHMP) Phase I Road Map feasibility project final results submitted by Acclivity Associates on September 12, 2016 for DHSEM/MARS review.
- HMP Update funding via 2016 Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) include: Archuleta County, City of Boulder, and the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe.

- HMP Update funding requests via HMGP DR-4229 Include: Delta County, Montrose County, Pitkin County, the City of Westminster, and La Plata County.
- HMP Update funding requests via EMPG/MAP 2016 include: La Plata County, Huerfano County, and Garfield County.
- Continued attendance and participation at local HMP kickoff and development meetings; technical assistance provided as requested from various HMGP and other Planning Grant entities, additional local mitigation planning jurisdictions, and other State agencies.

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>

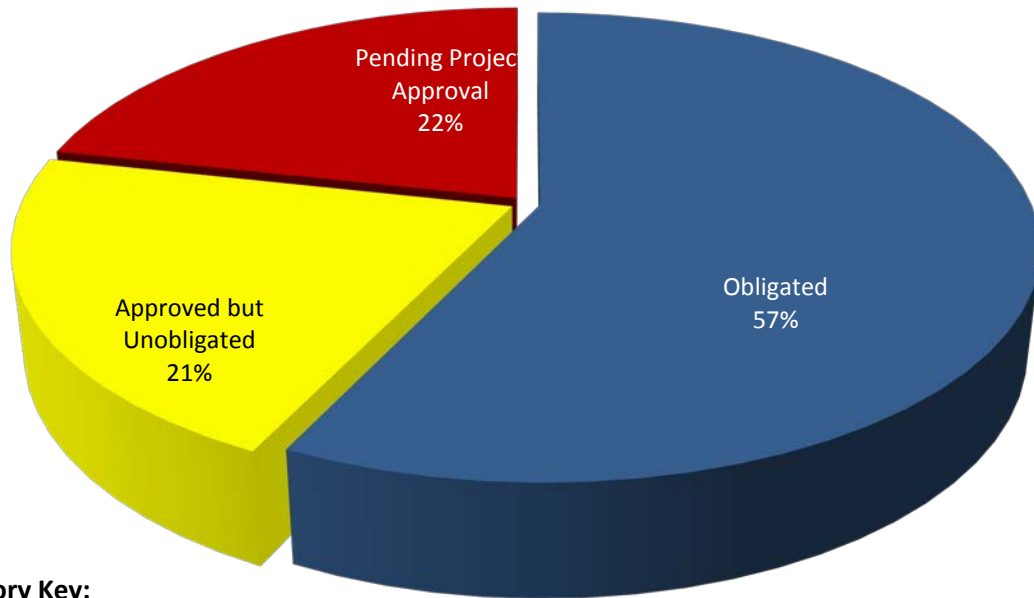
Program Update

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
4229	Funding to be Determined
Total Projects	91

All 91 projects have been reviewed by FEMA. FEMA continues to review projects for feasibility of Phase Two funding. DHSEM continues to coordinate projects for Phase Two approval by assisting FEMA with required information.

DR 4145 - HMGP Funds Breakdown



Category Key:

Obligated: Funds Awarded By FEMA

Approved But Unobligated: Approved/Unobligated Due To FEMA's Strategic Funds Management (SFM)

Pending Project Approval: Awaiting Project Approval From FEMA on Phase 2 feasibility

HMGP 4229:

On July 15 DHSEM submitted a total of 11 project applications totaling \$17,164,158 for HMGP 4229. As of the 12 month lock-in, DHSEM anticipates receiving approximately \$3.1 million in HMGP 4229 funds. HMGP 4229 requires a minimum of 25% local cost share. Projects included:

- 6 Mitigation Plan Updates
- 1 Acquisition projects
- 2 5% projects (not subject to a BCA)
- 1 Generator Project
- 1 State Management Cost Application

Applicant	Project Type
Montrose County	Mitigation Plan Update
Pitkin County	Mitigation Plan Update
City of Westminster	Mitigation Plan Update
Delta County	Mitigation Plan Update
La Plata County	Mitigation Plan Update
Huerfano County	Mitigation Plan Update
City of Colorado Springs	Acquisition
Town of Milliken	Sirens (5%)
City of Colorado Springs	Slope Stability Study (5%)
Upper Pine FPD	Generator
Colorado DHSEM	State Management Costs

Next, DHSEM anticipates receiving Requests for Information (RFI) from FEMA as they review applications and request clarification. Once received, DHSEM will work with sub-applicants to provide this information to FEMA.

The Mitigation Team has submitted applications for the FY16 Hazard Mitigation Assistance grants, including the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (PDM). Further information about PDM can be found on the [DHSEM Mitigation and Recovery website](#).

For FY 2016, \$100 million was appropriated for PDM. FEMA made available \$90 million for grants.

On August 30, DHSEM was notified by FEMA that six projects were identified for further review - three regular projects and three planning projects. Those projects are:

- Colorado Springs Fire Department: Colorado Springs Wildfire Mitigation Project

Mitigating hazardous fuels in open spaces adjacent to neighborhood communities with wildfire risk. The work will consist of thinning dead and diseased trees and brush, removing oak brush and small diameter trees from under pines, pruning trees along trails and roads, and separating clumps of oak brush through thinning and removal.

- Platte Canyon Fire Protection District: Deer Creek Elementary School Fuels Mitigation

Combination of hazardous fuels reduction and defensible space around structures. The goal is to mitigate the potential for catastrophic wildfire by reducing hazardous fuels and providing defensible space. Reduce hazardous fuels on 151 acres in accordance with recommended Colorado State Forest Service specifications.

- Upper Pine River Fire Protection District: Los Ranchitos Wildfire Mitigation

This project is applied fuels treatment using hand crews, mowing equipment and an industrial chipper in a neighboring subdivision that was identified as a high priority action item in the La Plata County Mitigation Plan.

- City of Boulder: Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update
- Ute Mountain Ute Tribe: Ute Pre-Mitigation Update
- Archuleta County: Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Updates allow jurisdictions to re-conduct risk and vulnerability assessments; identify new critical facilities; allow the public to comment on the assessments and potential mitigation activities; and provide updated descriptions of natural hazards affecting the communities involved.

Additionally, on August 29, DHSEM posted a message on Mitigation and Recovery Site advertising for early submissions for future Mitigation Grant Projects. The message was also posted to the DHSEM Facebook page and on Twitter. Below is the published announcement.

To All Interested Sub-Applicants:

Every year, FEMA releases a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) grant programs. The FEMA NOFO is published annually in either the second or third Federal fiscal quarter (January – June). The Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM) is the designated Applicant for these grant programs and is responsible for soliciting sub-

applications from eligible sub-applicants. In this role, DHSEM assists in the preparation, review, and submission of eligible and complete applications to FEMA.

In an effort to encourage increased participation from stakeholders in the State, DHSEM is encouraging early submission of Notice of Interest (NOI) forms. The goal is to allow more time for the State to assist in the application preparation and review process in an effort to help sub-applicants develop complete and competitive applications. These complete applications will be advanced to FEMA when the funding is announced and based on the funding priorities for the Fiscal Year (FY) PDM and FMA. Projects will also be added to a bank of readily identified projects in the event of a Presidentially Declared Disaster with Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding.

To qualify for a PDM, FMA, or HMGP grant, the sub-applicant must have a current FEMA-approved local or Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) by the application deadline and be valid at the time of Federal obligation of the grant funds. Applications for a new Mitigation Plan do not have to meet this requirement.

Please [review the 2015 Hazard Mitigation Assistance \(HMA\) Unified Guidance and Addendum](#) thoroughly to determine if your project idea is eligible; whether match requirements can be satisfied; and what environmental and historic preservation requirements will be necessary. Federal funding is available for up to 75 percent of the eligible activity costs. The remaining 25 percent of eligible activity costs must be derived from local match sources.

Follow the links below for information on the [Hazard Mitigation Assistance \(HMA\) Programs](#):

[Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program](#)

[Flood Mitigation Assistance Program](#)

Please be aware that there is **no funding available at this time** and that funding priorities have yet to be determined at the Federal level. In FY 2016, the funding announcement was published in March 2015 and the deadline to submit an application was June 15, 2015. It is anticipated that similar dates will be used to announce the FY 2017 PDM and FMA funding. If you are interested in pursuing grant funding the State is currently soliciting NOI's from eligible sub-applicants.

For additional information, please contact your regionally assigned State Mitigation Specialist. If you do not know who is assigned to your region, please visit <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/mars/mitigation> for a regional map and project listings.

Pictured below are some of the Pre-Disaster Mitigation projects currently underway in Colorado.



Colorado Springs Cottonwood Creek
Stabilization - FY 2011 PDM Project



Longmont St. Vrain River Flood Control/Bridge
Replacement - FY 2012 PDM Project

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
PA 4145 (2013 Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides and Mudslides)

In the last four weeks, 116 requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and 87 RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 2,461 of which 1,850 are recommended for payment and 275 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 336 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$263.3 million, and \$227 million is considered initially eligible. \$160.7 million has been recommended for payment, \$35.2 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$31.1 million is still in progress.

Four requests for scope changes were submitted in the last four weeks, and three were completed or deferred to closeout. The total amount of scope change requests is now 483 of which 358 are completed or deferred to closeout, and 72 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 53 are in progress.

There have been 14 payments made in the last four weeks for a total of \$259,283.26.

332 small projects have been closed by FEMA and another 30 have been submitted to FEMA for closeout review. 35 Large Projects have been closed by FEMA and another 39 have been submitted to FEMA for closeout review.

The next 4145 PA call will be September 29, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. Call in information and presentation will be sent out prior to the call.

PA 4229 (2015 Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides)

To date, 141 RFRs have been submitted and 115 RFRs have been recommended for payment, 23 have been returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. There are three RFRs in progress. The total amount requested is \$3.76 million, and \$3.55 million is considered initially eligible. \$1.68 million has been recommended for payment, \$1.76 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$106,845.45 is still in progress.

To date, 19 requests for scope changes have been submitted, and six have been completed or deferred to closeout. Seven Scope Change Requests have been forwarded to FEMA for review and the remaining five are in progress.

There have been 185 payments made to date for a total of \$6,326,803.76.

The next 4229 PA call will be September 29, 2016 at 1:30 p.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

Program: Recovery Colorado Infrastructure

Agency: Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

Infrastructure Summary						
Allocation	Allocation Amount	Obligated	Monthly Expenditures	Expenditures to Date	% Expended	Remaining Balance
1st Allocation	\$21,067,600	\$ 21,067,600	\$ -	\$ 21,067,600	100%	\$ -
2nd Allocation	\$34,278,810	\$ 3,296,111	\$ -	\$ 200,379	1%	\$ 34,078,431
3rd Allocation	\$11,766,617	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ 11,766,617
Total	\$67,113,027	\$ 24,363,711	\$ -	\$ 21,267,979	32%	\$ 45,845,048

Summary Narrative

- DHSEM is working with the Subrecipients on the second allocation with regards to budgets, environmental review process and grant agreements.
- DHSEM round three applications are being reviewed internally.

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

First Allocation Comments

- Round one funding is complete
- 18 local governments received \$21,000,000 for 44 projects.
- The dollar amount in the projects previously under contract includes \$6,367,704.97 of reimbursements to DHSEM. This money will be used to help other Grantees that were affected by the 2013 Disaster through contracts written through DHSEM.
- Subrecipients are working on closeout reports.

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

Infrastructure (\$34M)	Count			Dollar Amount		
	This Month	Previous	Cumulative	This Month	Previous	Cumulative
Projects Awarded	1	24	25	\$ 800,000.00	\$ 29,385,701.08	\$ 30,185,701.08
Projects Under Contract	3	0	3	\$ 3,296,111.40	\$ -	\$ 3,296,111.40
# Projects Started (first draw)*						
# Projects Completed						
*Includes completed projects						

* Note that the award for El Paso County – Fountain Creek/Riverside project has been modified from the original \$4,590,000 to \$2,850,000 as we are partnering with Housing. Infrastructure will now be contracting for buyout/acquisition and some channel repair while Housing will be assisting the residents with relocation and housing needs.

Second Allocation Comments

- Contracts that have gone out for signature include the following: Adams County, Big Elk Meadows, Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, and the City of Manitou Springs.
- The following contracts have been executed during August, 2016:

- Adams County contract executed as of August 2, 2016.
- Manitou Springs – Williams Canyon contract executed as of August 10, 2016.
- Manitou Springs – Peakview contract executed as of August 10, 2016.
- Larimer County – CR 29, 31D, 22H and West Creek contract was returned to DHSEM and is being routed for final signatures.
- DHSEM is providing technical assistance to Subrecipients with the followings topics: Procurement, Davis Bacon and Section Three compliance.

Third Allocation – Infrastructure Program (\$11,766,617)

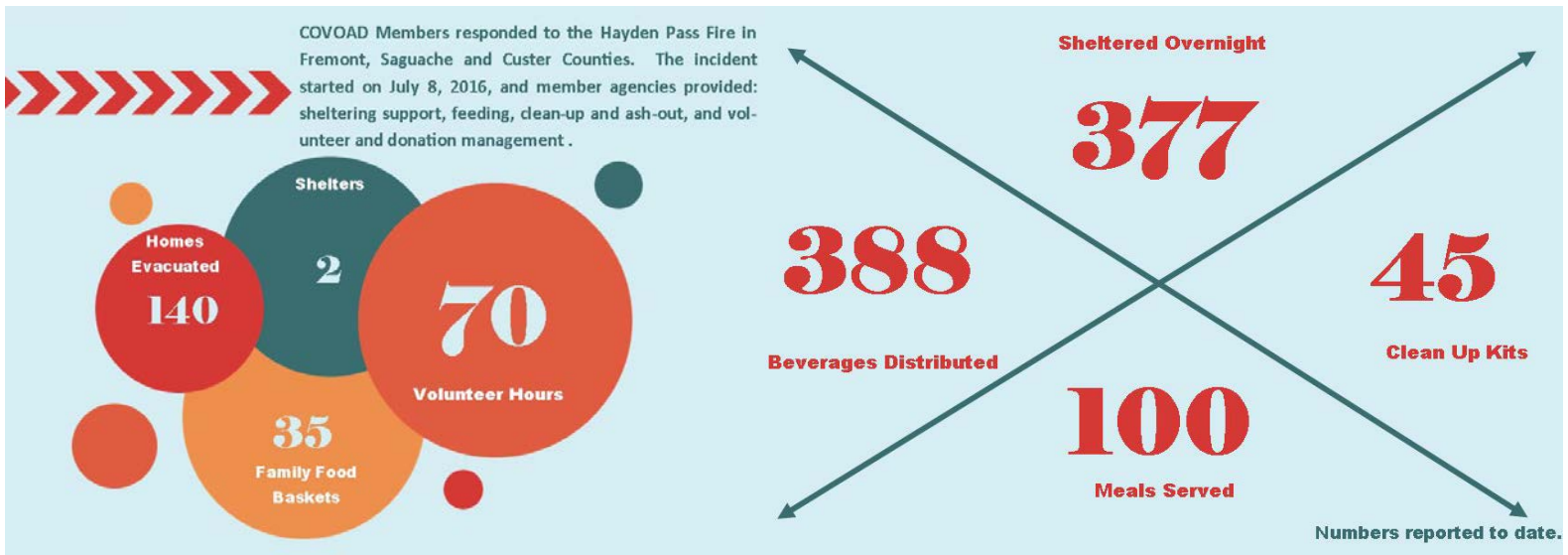
Third Allocation Comments

- The third allocation applications were due on Friday, May 13, 2016 by 5 p.m.
- DHSEM moved eligible projects that were not awarded in the second allocation to the third allocation and new applications were also received by the deadline.
- DHSEM received a total of 58 applications (eligible projects from the second allocation and new applications) which totaled an amount of \$74,637,720.94.
- DHSEM has reviewed all applications and filled out comprehensive risk analysis on each of the applications.

Volunteer Coordination

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

- Volunteer agencies have been responding to a number of events across the state. Mass Care and Colorado Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (COVOAD) Response and Recovery activity for the Hayden Pass fire is summarized in the below chart.
- COVOAD and Boulder County VOAD members also responded to the Cold Springs Fire. The summary of their activities is below:





Boulder County Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) and Colorado Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (COVOAD) responded to the Cold Springs Fire in the Nederland area. Member agencies provided: sheltering, feeding, clean-up and ash-out, information and referral, volunteers, and fundraising.



Sheltered Overnight*



Livestock Sheltered



Debris Kits



Beverages Served



Meals Served



Pets Sheltered

*Duplicated Number

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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