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Mitigation and Recovery Program Report

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DHSEM is coordinating the following mitigation and recovery efforts with government, private-nonprofit organization, and other critical partners.



Kerry Webster (Colorado DHSEM) met with Clint Henke (ERO Consulting), Daniel Jones (FEMA), David Heinrich (Civil Engineer), and Rich Hansen (FEMA) to discuss the Town of Superior's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) project concerns. The project includes channel improvements to Coal Creek in the Town of Superior.

Assistance for Individuals, Households and Small Businesses

Program	FEMA Disaster Case Management Program (DCM)
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC	Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)
Program Update	84-0644739

- The FEMA Mobile Home Unit (MHU) program is coming to an end. The end-of-program thirty day letters will be issued February 9, 2015 to the remaining nine families. Families are in the final stages of getting settled in temporary or permanent relocation. One family is considering purchasing a FEMA mobile home unit.

Behavioral Health

Program	FEMA Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Program (CCP)
Lead State Agency	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)
DHSEM POC	Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL)
Guidance	Program Overview
Program Update	

- The Colorado Office of Emergency Preparedness & Response (OEPR) Behavioral Health team has been engaged with the “Colorado Spirit” Crisis Counseling Training and Assistance Program (CCP) in response to the September 2013 statewide flooding. While this team and the state of Colorado have had past experiences with the CCP and its “Colorado Spirit” brand, this most recent program was by far the largest, involving eleven counties, eight service provider partnerships and a budget over \$4 million. Between the Immediate Services Program (September 30, 2013 – March 30, 2014) and the Regular Services Program (March 31, 2014 – December 30, 2014), the CCP provided primary, or direct, services to more than 187,000 survivors and affected residents of the floods. There were also more than 222,000 secondary, or indirect, services offered to the citizens of Colorado through the CCP. Thank you to everyone who contributed!

Donations Management

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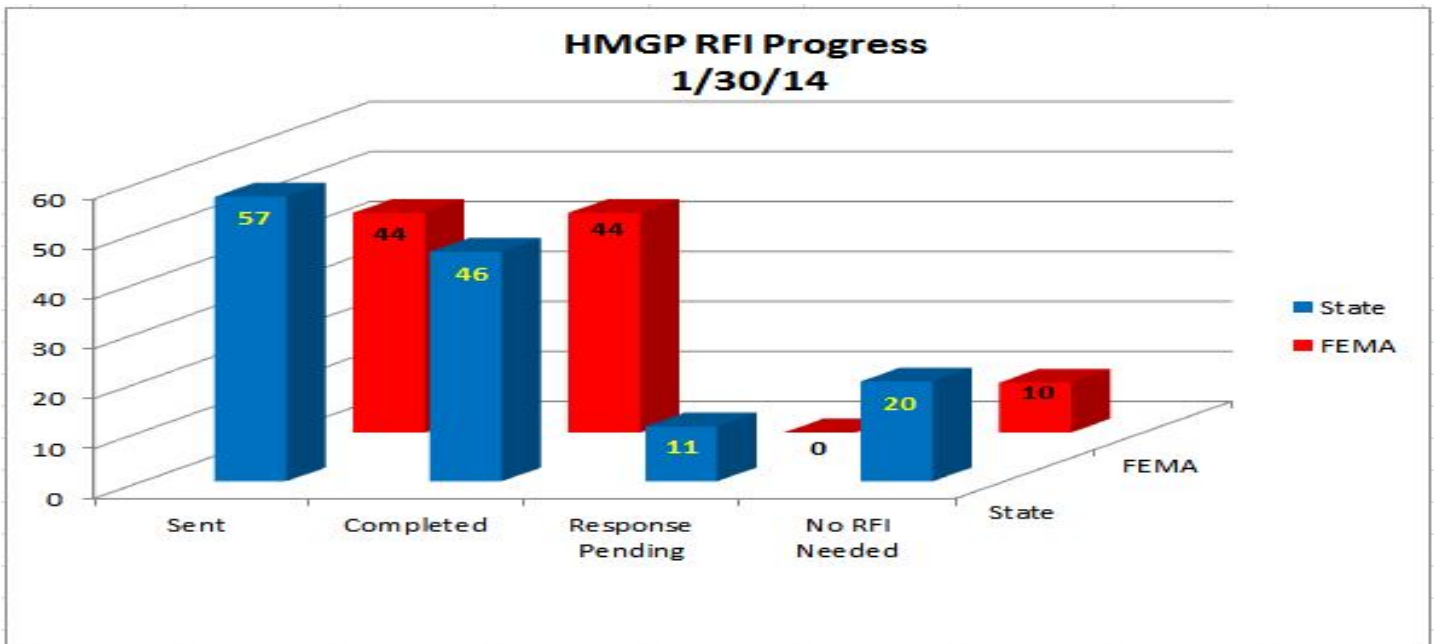
- A conference call/demonstration was held to review the donations management product purposed with capturing volunteer assignments, communication, and sign-in sheets.

Hazard Mitigation

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	

HMGP is open for five disasters: DRs 1762, 4067, 4133, 4134, and 4145.

- The Mitigation team has submitted sixty-four (64) HMGP applications to FEMA for formal review. Based on the FEMA six-month HMGP estimate, twenty-one (21) applications fell below the original fiscal constraint line. These applications remain to be submitted to FEMA while the State is reviewing applications and developing the Request for Information (RFIs). The remaining applications will be submitted to FEMA at the end of February and March. The State is determining application completeness prior to submitting, and those that are the most complete will be submitted first. Sub-applicants in this second pool will be notified when their application is formally submitted to FEMA for review.
- If a FEMA RFI is generated, it will be communicated to the sub-applicant via DHSEM email. Sub-applicant responses to FEMA RFIs within thirty days are mandatory. Failure to respond to a FEMA RFI within the required deadline can jeopardize project funding and/or result in final project denial.



- Mitigation staff participated in the Lessons Learned: 2013 Front Range Disasters workshop for Response, Recovery, & Mitigation hosted by Southwest Regional Field Manager Trevor Denney in Durango, Colorado on January 29, 2015. The Mitigation panel conveyed how mitigation can aid jurisdictions to prepare and prevent major disaster impacts. Additional information was shared for mitigation related planning, prioritization, financial preparedness, stakeholder/community engagement, vulnerability, infrastructure investment, land-use planning, and hazard mitigation planning incorporation for local comprehensive plans.



The Lessons Learned: 2013 Front Range Disasters workshop held on January 29, 2015 identified lessons learned, challenges and other valuable experiences taken from the response to and recovery from large disasters.

- The DHSEM mitigation team is meeting with the City of Colorado Springs this week to discuss and inspect a proposed infrastructure improvement project at the Manitou Incline.
- The mitigation team is excited to announce a grant award to El Paso County related to DR-4067-CO. The \$502,275 grant funds will support voluntary property acquisitions in hazard prone areas. The objective of this

project is to purchase and demolish two properties to reduce loss of life and property damage from future natural disasters.

- **Are you curious about your HMGP application?** The Mitigation team will be reaching out to sub-applicants over the next two weeks to discuss the progression of your HMGP application(s) and answer any questions you may have. Your patience is greatly appreciated during this process and we look forward to speaking with you soon.
- **Tip of the Week:** Are you informed? To receive the latest mitigation information and news visit coemergency.com.

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

- Hinsdale County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Update received FEMA Approvable Pending Adoption (APA) status on February 2, 2015.
- Required Park County HMP Update contractor revisions complete; HMP sent to FEMA for review on February 2, 2015.
- Received additional local adoptions from Summit County (15 of 17 adoptions as of February 2, 2015).
- Received additional local adoptions from Prowers County for Southeast Colorado Regional HMP (18 of 19 adoptions as of February 2, 2015).
- Four local HMPs currently in APA status: Summit, Grand, Teller, Hinsdale.
- Two County HMPs currently under state review (Fremont & Mesa).
- Two additional County HMPs will be submitted soon for state review (El Paso & Costilla).
- Two County HMPs in planning process (Boulder and Douglas).
- Required contractor revisions in process for Northeast Colorado Regional HMP Update and Arapahoe County HMP Update.
- State DR-4145-CO HMGP planning grant award received from FEMA on February 2, 2015; DHSEM Grant and Finance will be preparing jurisdictional contracts and awards.

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/>
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- In the last week, thirteen requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and five RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 783, of which 398 are recommended for payment and 142 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 243 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$112.3 million, and \$94.8 million is considered initially eligible. \$41.6 million has been recommended for payment, and \$20.0 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information.
- Three 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 203 of which 129 are completed or deferred to closeout, and thirty-six (36) were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining thirty-eight (38) are in progress.

- There have been thirty-nine (39) payments made in the last week for a total of \$1.4 million, including federal and state share.
- **Announcements:**
 - Thank you to everyone who got their quarterly reports in on time. The state submitted 562 reports on time to FEMA. Your help is greatly appreciated.
 - Next PA call will be February 27, 2015 at 9 a.m. Call in information and presentation will be sent out prior to the call.
 - As discussed on the last call, the state will be releasing information on force account labor (FAL) costs and cost reasonableness. The release of this information was delayed due to programmatic changes being discussed with FEMA. We hope to have this guidance ready in the coming weeks.
 - The hiring of project specialists and finance specialists is still in progress. All interviews were conducted, and State staff is moving applicants forward in the background check process.
- **Important Dates:** Time extensions for permanent work projects are due February 14, 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>
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- CDBG-DR Infrastructure Guidelines and Notice of Intent (NOIs) / Application are posted on the DOLA CDBG-DR website. Round two NOI's are due by 5 p.m. on February 13, 2015 and Applications will be due by 5 p.m. on May 29, 2015. 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	53	\$0	\$17,781,861
Applications Received	0	54	\$0	\$17,551,905
Award Letters	0	50	\$0	\$15,416,218

- Ongoing CDBG-DR activities include:
 - Acquisition contract for Boulder County (Jamestown) went out for signature on January 28, 2015.
 - Working on Fish Creek Utilities contract for Town of Estes Park and Upper Thompson Sanitation District. DOLA is reviewing Town of Estes Park and Upper Thompson Sanitation District.
 - Working on contract for Manitou Springs, will send to DOLA by end of January 30, 2015.
 - Working on contract for Milliken. Sent to DOLA for their review on January 26, 2015.
 - Working on contract for Nederland, will send to DOLA for their review this week.
 - Working on contract for City of Evans
- **DHSEM will hold an applicant assistance teleconference call on Friday, February 6, 2015 at 9 a.m.**
 - The telephone call in number is [1-877-820-7831](tel:1-877-820-7831) Participant code: 522939#

Volunteer Coordination

Lead State Agency Colorado Recovery Office
DHSEM POC Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison
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- The Colorado Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (COVOAD) Conference will be held on Thursday, February 26, 2015, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and is integrated with the 2015 Colorado Emergency Management Conference. The location has changed this year to the Hyatt Regency Denver Tech Center at 7800 East Tufts Avenue, Denver, CO 80237.
- The HelpColoradoNow Volunteer newsletter is in progress. The final production should be distributed next week.

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