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### Mitigation and Recovery Program Report

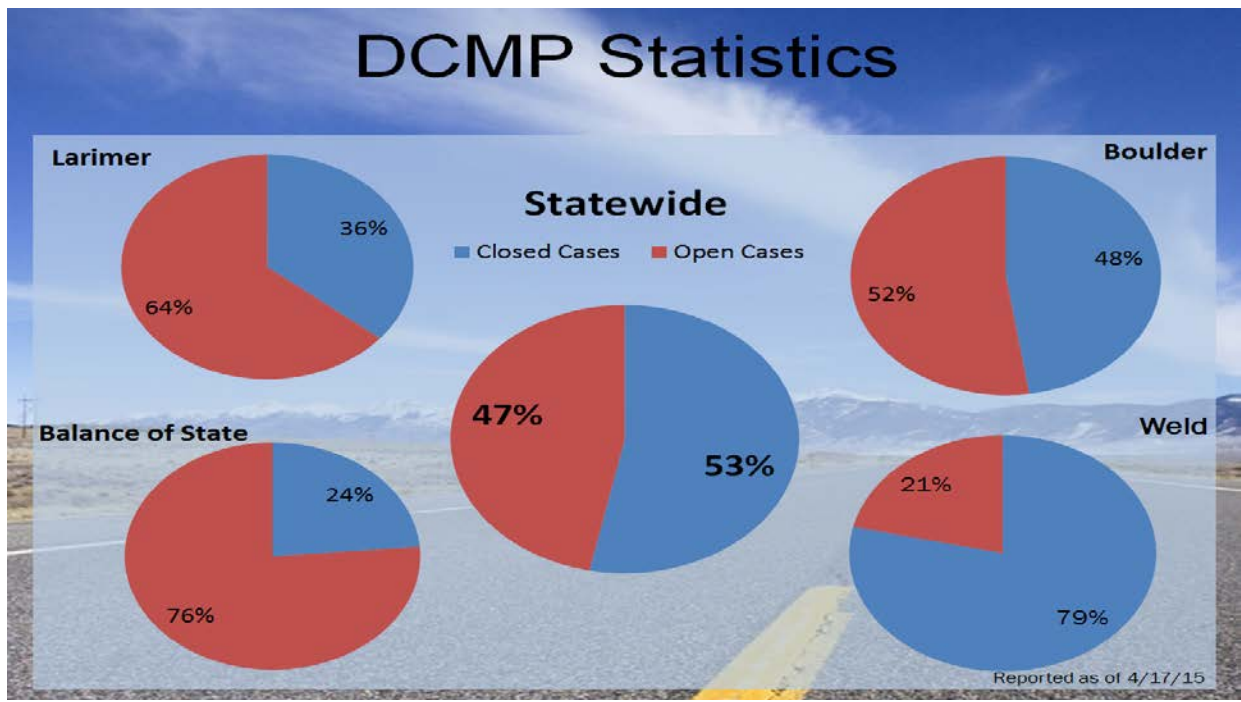
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DHSEM is coordinating the following mitigation and recovery efforts with government, private-nonprofit organization, and other critical partners.

### 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**

- Disaster Case Management (DCM)
  - Progress pie charts will be distributed monthly. The following percentages capture all closed and all open cases per disaster case management center, and also include a statewide overview:



### 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>

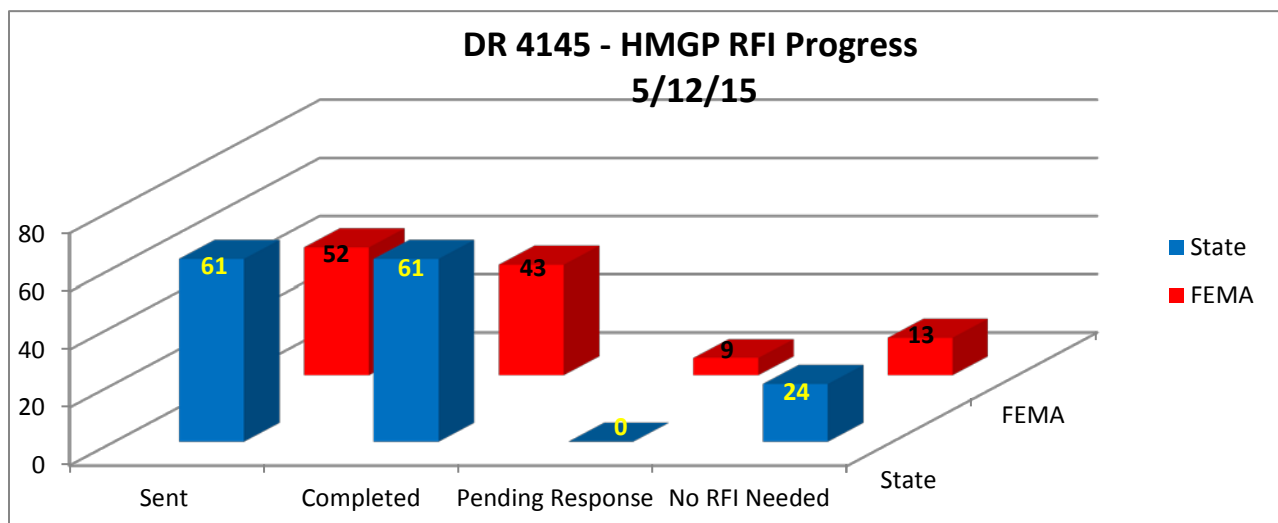
**Program Update**

The state is currently working four disasters that involve HMGP funding: DR-4067, DR-4133, DR-4134 and DR-4145.

- A total of ninety-eight 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.** If a FEMA RFI is generated, it will be communicated to the sub-applicant via DHSEM email. 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 within thirty days is mandatory. Failure to respond to a FEMA RFI within the thirty-day deadline will result in project removal from the HMGP. Projects can only be reinstated in the HMGP through an extended appeal process.
- The graph below is for Disaster 4145 only. The State RFI process has been completed for all other open disasters.



- The state has suspended the monthly Monthly HMGP Conference Call that occurs on the second Friday of each month and the bi-weekly 5% & Generator conference call on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Due to the different stages and timelines for the many project types, individual coordination is a more appropriate and effective use of time. Coordination calls may be hosted again in the future as projects move further into the implementation and reimbursement phase. In the meantime any pertinent or general project information will be communicated via email or phone call as necessary.
- A bi-weekly conference call will be hosted for all HMGP Wildfire Mitigation sub-applicants on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. The call will discuss the current status of Wildfire Mitigation applications and other important information. This call is for general questions only and project specific questions will be answered on a one-to-one basis. The conference call information has been emailed and all wildfire sub-applicants and supporting staff are highly encouraged to attend.
- A total of thirty-nine projects have been awarded for HMGP DR-4145 with a combined sum of \$3,205,766 of federal funds to date.
- Mitigation staff conducted a final closeout inspection of the Fountain Creek Stabilization and Erosion Control project in Woodland Park. The 2010 Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grant funded project, mitigated drainage and erosion control with the channel improvements and creek bank stabilization at a key watershed location while providing protection to infrastructure along Fountain Creek. An added benefit of the project included the addition of an outdoor recreation and open space area.







**Before & After:** Photos of the Fountain Creek Stabilization and Erosion Control project funded by a 2010 Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grant. The photos above are looking north, just south of Sheridan Avenue in Woodland Park.

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

- Five local Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMPs) remain in Approvable Pending Adoption (APA) status (Grand = 9 of 14 adoptions received to date; Teller = 0 of 4 adoptions received to date; Park = 0 of 6 adoptions received to date; Mesa = 0 of 11 adoptions received to date; Fremont = 0 of 4 adoptions received to date).
- Boulder County HMP Update FEMA Required Revisions conference call with locals, DHSEM/MARS, and FEMA scheduled for May 18, 2015.
- One local HMP currently under FEMA review (El Paso County).
- Four HMPs in planning process (Douglas, Costilla, Montezuma, Aurora).
- Provided technical assistance as requested from various HMGP Planning Grant and other local mitigation planning jurisdictions.

## 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, 19 requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and 28 RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 1,021 of which 731 are recommended for payment and 169

were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 121 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$138.5 million, and \$124 million is considered initially eligible. \$82.7 million has been recommended for payment, \$19.8 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$21.5 million is still in progress.

- Six requests for scope changes were submitted in the last week, and six were completed or deferred to closeout. The total amount of scope change requests is now 286 of which 215 are completed or deferred to closeout, and forty were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 31 are in progress.
- There have been thirty-four payments made in the last week for total of \$7.8 million including federal and state share.
- **Announcements:**
  - Next PA call will be May 29, 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 and Notice of Intent (NOIs) / Application are posted on the DOLA CDBG-DR website. Applications will be due by 5 p.m. on May 29, 2015. See [www.dola.colorado.gov/cdbg-dr](http://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
Under Contract	0	6	\$0	\$657,823.13

- Ongoing CDBG-DR activities include:
  - Contract for City of Boulder was sent to Grantee for execution of April 1, 2015.
  - Contract for Larimer County was sent to Grantee for execution on April 1, 2015. Sent to DOLA for final execution on April 20, 2015.
  - Contract for Town of Lyons was sent to Grantee for execution on April 7, 2015. Sent to DOLA for final execution on April 20, 2015.
  - Contract for City of Loveland was sent to Grantee for execution on April 8, 2015.
  - Contract for Upper Thompson Sanitation District (five projects) was sent to Grantee for execution April 9, 2015. Sent to DOLA for final execution on May 8, 2015.
  - Two contracts for City of Evans were sent to Grantee for execution on April 15, 2015. Sent to DOLA for final execution on May 8, 2015.
  - Contract for City of Loveland was sent to Grantee for execution on April 24, 2015.
  - Contract for Town of Jamestown was sent to Grantee for execution on April 24, 2015.
  - Working on draft contract for Frederick; receiving their release of funds in May.
  - Working on draft contracts for the following agencies while they are in environmental review: El Paso County – Acquisition; City of Louisville; Town of Lyons – Acquisition (four properties); City of Colorado Springs – Acquisition; Larimer County – Big Elk Meadows; City of Manitou Springs – Wildcat Gulch

Culvert; Estes Valley Recreation & Park District; Town of Estes Park – FEMA PA Match (four projects); and, Boulder County – Acquisitions.

- Received nine requests for reimbursement; however, need additional information before approval.
- Upcoming CDBG-DR activities include:
  - Allocation 2 Application Teleconference on Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at 9 a.m.
  - Monthly Teleconference on Friday, May 15, 2015 at 9 a.m.

## Volunteer Coordination

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

- COVOAD Emotional and Spiritual Care
  - In partnership with the Colorado Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (COVOAD), an Emotional and Spiritual Care Train the Trainer workshop was held on May 5-6, 2015. Seventeen individuals completed the training, and are now qualified to teach Emotional and Spiritual Care to their organizations. The COVOAD Emotional and Spiritual Care Committee plans to continue to support the new trainers with ongoing training and approved credentialing through Colorado Volunteer Mobilizer in an effort to ensure ongoing credibility, accountability, and sustainability for disaster spiritual care in Colorado.
  - Robyn Knappe, State Voluntary Agency Liaison, will be attending the National COVOAD Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana from May 11-14, 2015.



- G288: Donations and Volunteer Management
  - Robyn Knappe, in partnership with Stephanie Sanchez, 2-1-1, is in the process of updating the G288- Donations and Volunteer Management curriculum from October 2011. The updates include a new Instruction Manual, Student Guide, PowerPoint Presentation, and additional handouts. The training will be delivered in the upcoming months. More information will be available soon.
- For more information on how to help Colorado's recovery efforts, please visit the May 2015 HelpColoradoNow Newsletter at <http://us9.campaign-archive1.com/?u=b77468abc1a7769e5defa7c90&id=48f76a0fa8>.

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