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Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

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Mitigation and Recovery Program Report

June 17, 2015

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



Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) were conducted on June 3rd, 4th and 10th for infrastructure damages and impacts incurred as a result of the April/May 2015 severe storms and spring runoff. Participants included staff from local governments, FEMA, and DHSEM. PDAs were conducted in Boulder, El Paso, Fremont, Pueblo, Morgan, Logan, Washington, and Sedgwick Counties.

Assistance for Individuals, Households and Small Businesses

Spring 2015

Program	Disaster Assistance Center for Tornadoes and Flooding in Berthoud, Larimer and Boulder Counties
Lead State Agency	DOLA DLG
DOLA DLG POC	Don Sandoval, Regional Manager
DHSEM POC	Robyn Knappe, Voluntary Agency Liaison
Program Update	

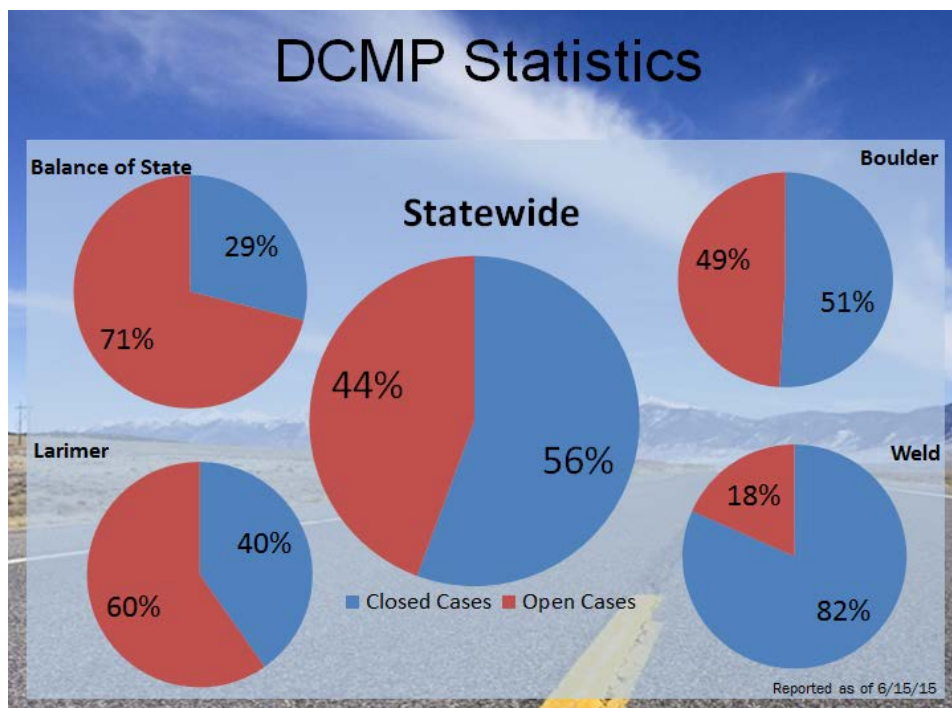
- On Tuesday, June 9, 2015, Larimer and Boulder County commissioners and County staff, state agency staff and nongovernmental organizations were available to meet with persons affected in the Berthoud area by the

tornado and flooding along the Little Thompson River. The multi-county assistance center was located at the Berthoud Community Center, 248 Welch Avenue, Berthoud, Colorado.

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)
 - On June 8, 2015, the State of Colorado requested a 90-day extension of the Disaster Case Management Program grant. The request submitted to FEMA Region VIII would extend the grant, at no additional cost, from September 13 to December 12, 2015. It would enable DCM case managers and construction managers to continue helping connect individuals and families to the resources, both public and private, so essential to their recovery from the 2013 floods. The extension request coincided with the DCMP's second FEMA monitoring visit on Wednesday, June 10, 2015. New FEMA Headquarters program lead, Paul Parsons, Jr., conducted the meeting with the DCM team. Susan Pederson of FEMA Region VIII, Mitigation & Recovery Program Manager Marilyn Gally and State Disaster Recovery Manager Steve Boand also attended. State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) Robyn Knappe led off the session with a wide-ranging review of program operations, accomplishments and challenges. Later, the DCM team shared information on the program's outreach efforts and results in the eleven declared counties. In addition, the group shared some survivor success stories reflecting the collaborative efforts of the DCMP with long term recovery groups, local government agencies and other groups to assist survivors. The visit concluded with a discussion of the requested 90-day extension and future planning requirements.
 - 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:



Consumer Protection

Spring 2015

Program	Consumer Protection
Lead State Agency	DORA Division of Insurance (DOI)
DORA POC	NA
DHSEM POC	NA
Program Update	DORA 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

Spring 2015

Program	FEMA Preliminary Damage Assessment
Lead State Agency	DHSEM
DHSEM POC	Deanna Butterbaugh, Deputy State Public Assistance Officer
Program Update	Damage assessment started the first week of June for the Spring 2015 damages. Participants include local government, FEMA, and DHSEM staff. Damage assessment has already been conducted in Boulder, El Paso, Fremont, Pueblo, Morgan, Logan, Washington, and Sedgwick Counties.

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 <i>State</i> application, including all sub-applications, is due to FEMA no later than 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, is due to FEMA no later than August 28, 2015.

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

- Seven local Hazard Mitigation Plans (HMPs) remain in APA (Approvable Pending Adoption) status (Grand = 10 of 14 adoptions received to date; Teller = 0 of 4 adoptions received to date; Park = 5 of 6 adoptions received to date; Mesa = 4 of 11 adoptions received to date; Fremont = 0 of 4 adoptions received to date; El Paso = 0 of 8 adoptions received to date; Northeast Region = 6 of 37 adoptions received to date).
- Nine HMPs in planning process (Douglas, Chaffee, Colorado Springs, Costilla, Montezuma, Aurora, Routt, Pueblo, City & County of Broomfield).
- Various HMGP funded plan updates are in their Request for Proposal (RFP) selection process and will soon begin HMP planning.
- Provided technical assistance and solicited Planning NOIs from local jurisdictions for potential PDM grant funded HMP Updates; staff review of NOIs will take place on 6/19/2015.
- Provided technical assistance as requested from various HMGP Planning Grant and other local mitigation planning jurisdictions.

DRs-4067, 4133, 4134, 4145

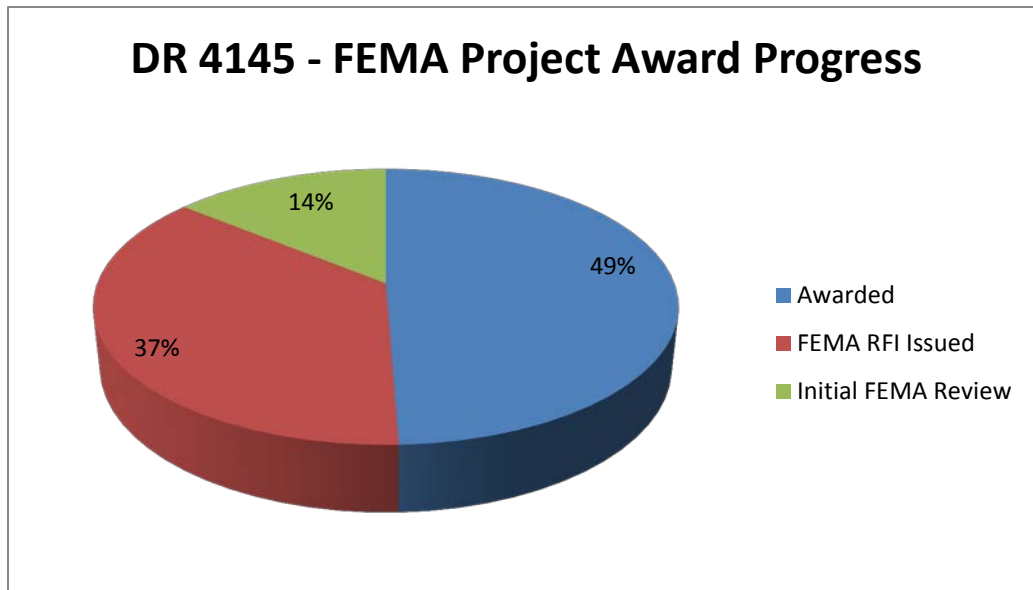
Program FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
Lead State Agency DHSEM
DHSEM POC Scott Baldwin, Mitigation Specialist
Guidance FEMA HMGP guidance documents may be found at <http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program>
Program Update

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

- A total of 98 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 State has suspended the 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. 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. The conference call information has been emailed and all wildfire sub-applicants and supporting staff are highly encouraged to attend.



- FEMA continues to review project applications. Only twelve projects remain in the initial FEMA review queue. Many projects have been awarded and many projects have been issued a FEMA Request for Information, which requires the sub-grantee to provide clarification to FEMA. The State is working to assist the sub-grantee through the RFI process.
- Mitigation staff conducted DR-4145 Grant Kickoff meetings with the City of Brighton and Colorado State University's Colorado Climate Center. The kickoff officially launched each project discussing the state grant

agreement and project requirements. The City of Brighton will be upgrading existing and installing additional outdoor warning sirens critical for citizen notification during emergency events. The Colorado Climate Center will be conducting a statewide study to examine current weather and climate assets of Colorado. The state looks forward to hosting further kickoff as more grants are awarded by FEMA.

- The Mitigation Team is now accepting Notice of Intent (NOI) forms for the FY15 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Guidance grants, including the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (PDM) and Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA). These grants represent an opportunity to improve a community's ability to mitigate natural hazards and reduce potential impacts on citizens, property and local economies. Further information can be found on the [DHSEM Grant Programs website](#).

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, 16 requests for reimbursements (RFRs) were submitted, and 15 RFRs have been recommended for payment. The total amount of RFRs is now at 1,112 of which 786 are recommended for payment and 166 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 160 are in progress. The total amount requested is \$143.1 million, and \$126 million is considered initially eligible. \$84.7 million has been recommended for payment, \$16.6 million has been returned to sub-grantees for additional information, and \$24.7 million is still in progress.
- Four 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 299 of which 219 are completed or deferred to closeout, and 48 were returned to the sub-grantees for additional information. The remaining 32 are in progress.
- There have been 38 payments made in the last week for total of \$1,869,022.30 including federal and state share.
- **Announcements:**
 - Next PA call will be June 26, 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. 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	54	\$0	\$15,159,975
Applications Received	0	54	\$0	\$15,159,975
Award Letters	0	54	\$0	\$15,159,975
Under Contract	0	16	\$0	\$3,625,131

*Infrastructure has 10 contracts executed consisting of 16 subprojects.

- Ongoing CDBG-DR activities include:
 - Contract for City of Boulder was sent to Grantee for execution of April 1, 2015.
 - Contract for City of Loveland was sent to Grantee for execution on April 8, 2015.
 - Additional contract for City of Loveland was sent to Grantee for execution on April 24, 2015.
 - Two contracts for El Paso County sent to Grantee for signature on May 27, 2015.
 - Contract for Town of Estes Park (4 projects) was sent to Grantee for signature on June 1, 2015.
 - Additional contract for Town of Estes Park was sent to Grantee for signature on June 5, 2015.
 - Contract for City of Louisville was sent to Grantee for signature on June 5, 2015.
 - Contract for Town of Frederick was sent to Grantee for signature on June 5, 2015.
 - Contract for Estes Valley Recreation and Park District was sent to Grantee for signature on June 5, 2015.
 - Contract for Upper Thompson Sanitation District (five projects) was sent to DOLA for final execution on May 8, 2015.
 - Two contracts for City of Evans were sent to DOLA for final execution on May 8, 2015.
 - Contract for Town of Jamestown was sent to DOLA for final execution on June 5, 2015.
 - Sent draft contracts for the following agencies to DOLA for their review on May 14, 2015 while awaiting release of funds (ROF): Town of Lyons – Acquisitions; Larimer County - Big Elk Meadows; City of Manitou Springs - Wildcat Gulch Culvert; and Boulder County - Acquisitions.
 - Drafting contracts for: Town of Windsor, Town of Evans, and City of Colorado Springs.
 - Working with the Grantees to get additional payment information to finish processing.

Special Meeting Announcement

COVOAD and Larimer VOAD Combined Meeting scheduled for tomorrow, June 18, 2015 from 2-3:30 p.m. at Medical Center of the Rockies, Hague's Peak Room, 2500 Rocky Mountain Avenue, Loveland, CO 80538.

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