

HMGP Application State Review Process

The HMGP application state review process begins with intake to confirm an application is complete and ready for review. Intake includes logging the project, assigning it for review, and sending acknowledgement emails. Once complete, federal and state compliance reviews occur *simultaneously* to ensure program requirements are met. Per the NOFA, Tier 1 and 2 projects are reviewed first, with Tier 3 considered only if funds remain. Each review stage is outlined below.

Planning (~1-4 Weeks)



Confirms the project is in your Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) and meets planning requirements.

Programmatic (~1-4 Weeks)



Checks that your application is complete, eligible, and supported by the necessary documentation.

Engineering Technical Feasibility (~1-3 Months)



Evaluates the effectiveness and feasibility of your project and ensures sufficient detail for the Benefit-Cost Analysis.

Benefit-Cost Analysis (~1-3 Months)



Reviews your budget for accuracy and reasonableness. The State completes the BCA to determine cost-effectiveness.

Environmental and Historic Preservation (~4-12 Months)



Ensures compliance with NEPA and NHPA and identifies any impacts requiring FEMA consultation.

What's Next?

- Requests for Information (RFIs) can be issued during any review and can come from multiple reviewers.
 - If you receive an RFI, respond by the deadline provided—extensions are only granted for extenuating circumstances, so ask questions early if you need help.
 - No news is good news—if you don't hear from us, there are likely no issues.
- Your PM will coordinate all reviews and remain your main point of contact throughout the entire process.