

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program State-Wide Applicant Briefing

DR-4794-Storm; DR-4806-Debby; DR-4828-Helene; DR-4834-Milton

Mitigation Bureau 04/15/2025



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# General Webinar Info

- Welcome and Introductions
- HMGP Overview
  - Programmatic
  - Engineering
  - Environmental and Historic Preservation
- DEMES Overview
- Closing Remarks



## Welcome and Introductions



# Programmatic



## What Does Mitigation Do?

Mitigation breaks the cycle of disaster, damage, reconstruction and repeated damage

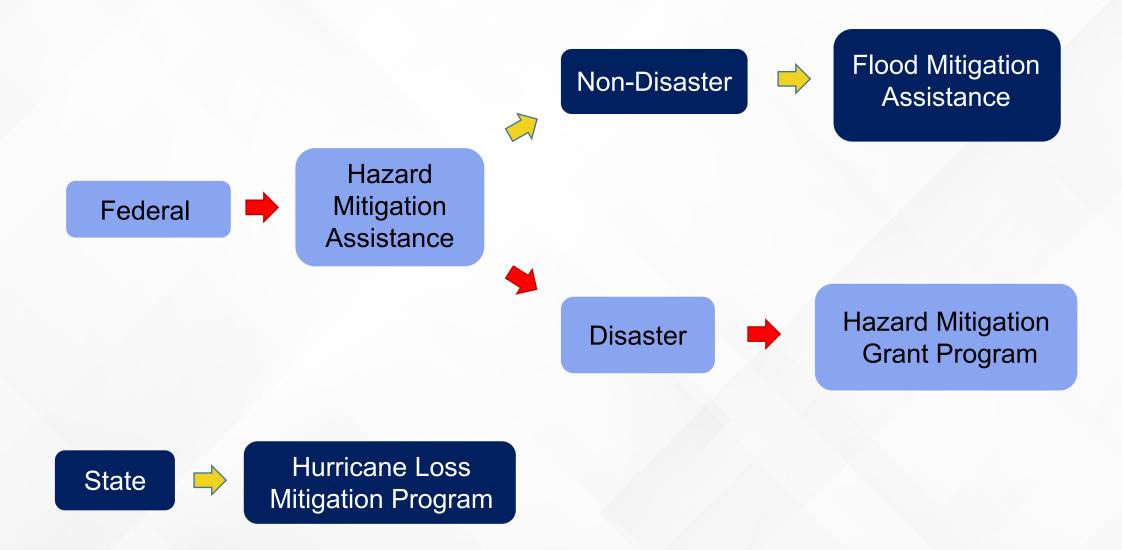


\$6 is saved in future disaster costs for every \$1 of hazard mitigation spent

Natural Hazard Mitigation Saves: 2017 Interim Report (https://www.nibs.org/page/mitigationsaves)

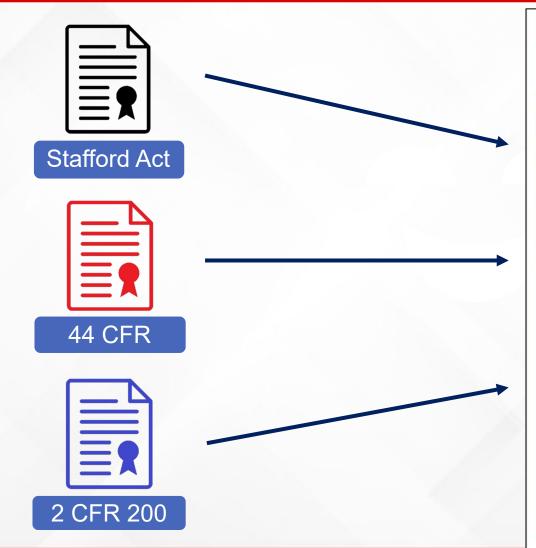


### Mitigation Bureau Grant Programs





## **HMGP** Authority and Regulations





#### Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program and Policy Guide

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Post Fire, Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities, and Flood Mitigation Assistance

Effective July 30, 2024

Federal Enterprise Architecture (FEA) Number: FP-208-21-0001





#### Post-Disaster Mitigation Funding

#### Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (404)

- Vulnerable to any natural event, not just declared event
- Can be used on private property
- Project can not be eligible under any other federal program
- Must be cost-effective and meet other performance criteria





#### **Public Assistance (406)**

- Damaged by the event and site-specific mitigation
- Located within defined declaration area
- Can not be used for private property
- Project can not be eligible under any other federal program
- Facility must be in active use at time of disaster



#### Administrative Rule 27P-22, F.A.C.

# Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS)

- Establishes LMS Working Groups
- Outlines project selection process
- LMS Annual Update
- Additional LMS
   Requirements

# Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

- Who can apply
- Outlines project eligibility
- Outlines application process
- Establishes funding allocation

All must go through the Local Mitigation Strategy Working Group of the county where the project will take place:

# Certain Private Non-Profit Organizations

- Medical
- Residential Health Care Facilities
- Educational
- Emergency Utility
- Houses of Worship\*

\*If you have been considered eligible for PA, you are most likely an eligible subapplicant

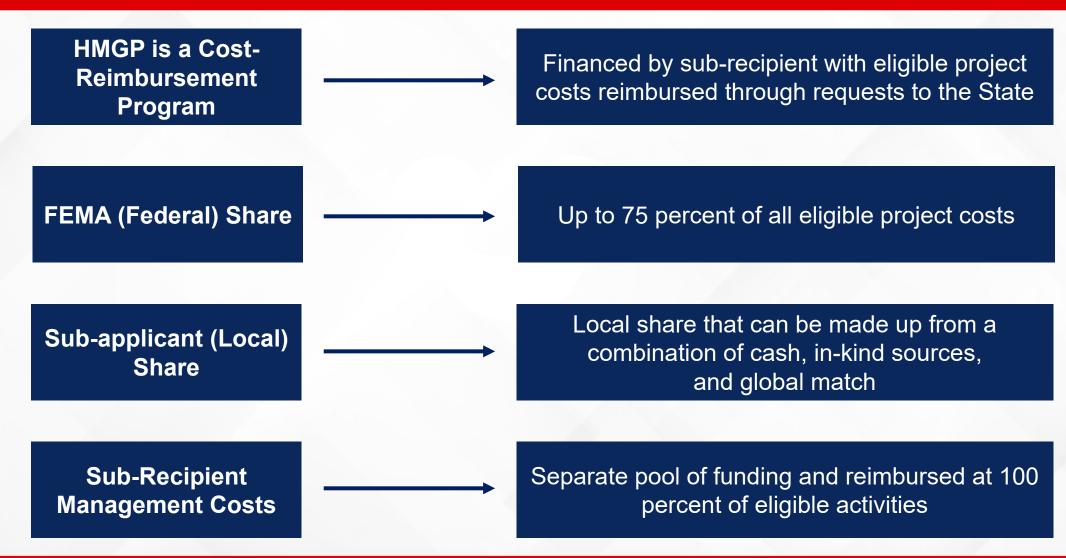
#### **Government Entities**

- State Agencies
- Local Governments and Agencies
- Special and Regional Districts

**Tribal Nations** 



### Program Funding





### Three-Tiered Funding System

- FEMA provides State with initial HMGP funding amount
- State determines county allocations based on the prorated share of federal disaster funds spent in their county on:
  - Public Assistance (PA)
  - Individual Assistance (IA)
  - Small Business Administration (SBA)
- State published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) which contains allocations of all designated counties



#### Three-Tiered Funding System

#### Tier One

Initial allocation of submitted and eligible projects will be funded in order of priority as endorsed by the LMS Working Group

#### Tier Two

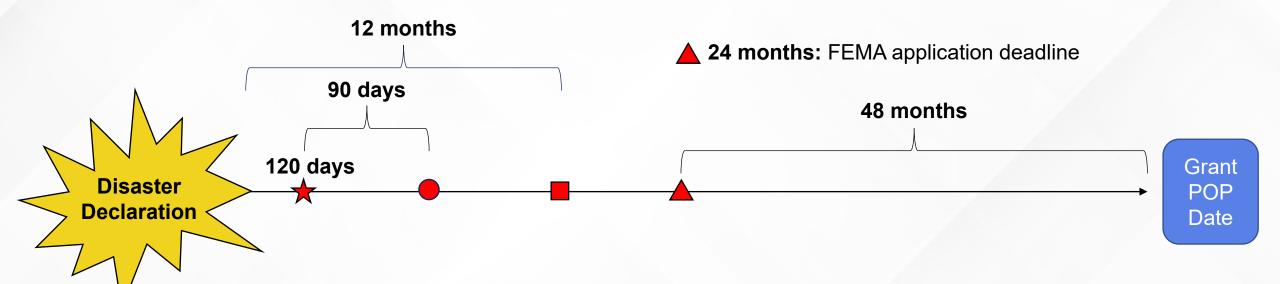
Any allocation remaining after all eligible projects in any designated county are funded will go to another designated county Working Group with a partially funded project contained in original submission

#### Tier Three

If funds remain after the Tier Two funding process, the un-obligated funds will be provided to any applicant statewide with a project application submitted within the application period, on a first-come-first-serve basis until all available funds are obligated



#### **HMGP** Implementation Timeline



#### **First Actions:**

- Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) published 120 days post-declaration
- Applicant Workshops
- Subapplication deadline for all funding tiers (90-day application period)

#### Within 12 months:

- FDEM conducts sub-application reviews and recommends to FEMA for approval
- 6-month estimate published
- 12-month application deadline for the State

#### 48 months:

- FEMA project award
- State contracts with SR
- Project starts
- Requests for reimbursements
- Monitoring/Quarterly reporting
- Deliverables completed
- Request for Final Inspection
- Closeout procedures



## Role of the Sub-Applicant and Sub-Recipient

#### **During Open Application Period**

- Develop Application and documentation
- Coordinate with LMS Working Group
- Secure non-federal funding source(s)
- Ensure project is endorsed by LMS
   Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson
- Register as a user in FDEM Portal
- Submit a fully completed HMGP Application and required attachments in DEMES
- Respond to requests for information (RFI) in a timely manner

#### **Post-Award**

- Perform project in accordance with approved scope of work and schedule
- Submit Quarterly Progress Reports to State
   no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month
- Audit projects in accordance with 44 CFR
   Part 14
- Communicate monthly with your assigned
   Grant Manager / Project Manager



### What makes an eligible HMGP project?

#### Planning Requirements:

- Approved County LMS Plan
  - Jurisdiction/sub-applicant must adopt the County LMS Plan (excluding eligible private non-profits)
- Project appears on the LMS Prioritized Project List (PPL)
- Cost shown on Endorsement Letter matches PPL and subapplication budget
- Project consistent with LMS Goals and Objectives
- Project endorsed by LMS Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson



## What makes an eligible HMGP project?

# Conformance with Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Guidance:

- Eligbible, Cost-effective, technically feasible, and effective mitigation
- Environmental and Historic Preservation Requirements
- National Flood Insurance and Special Flood Hazard Area Requirements
- Any applicable State and Local codes



## What makes an eligible HMGP project?

#### Conformance with Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA):

- Application submission process
  - In DEMES
- Submission deadlines
- State requirements
- Eligibility requirements



## Eligible Project Types



Flood Risk Reduction
Elevation
Acquisition
Floodproofing



Warning System



Wind Retrofit
Structural Retrofitting
Infrastructure Retrofitting



Secondary Power Source Generators Bypass Pumps



Wildfire Mitigation
Post-Wildfire Stabilization



Safe rooms
Code Plus
WWTP Relocation



#### LMS Endorsement Letter

- Must have priority number and budget (total project cost and federal share at a minimum)
- Must identify how project meets LMS goals and objectives
- Signed by LMS Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson
- Applications without an LMS endorsement letter will NOT be processed
- Template Endorsement Letter can be found in Appendix C of NOFA

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# Pre-Award Costs

- Only eligible costs incurred after Presidential Declaration Date
- Pre-construction soft costs
  - Activities such as engineering, modeling, H&H study, permitting, environmental studies
- Must be approved by State and FEMA
- A request must be submitted with application
- Cannot include construction
- If not approved, costs incurred are sole responsibility of the subapplicant

# Global Match

The Global Match (GM) option allows for sub-recipients to leverage other mitigation efforts at the local level to help offset the non-federal match requirement of HMGP projects

#### Main Requirements:

- Must be funded with 100% non-federal funds
- Must be submitted within the same disaster as the project it's matching
- Must be an eligible project type under the HMGP and meet all HMGP criteria (full review)
- Must not begin prior to approval from State and FEMA
- Requires separate application to be submitted under the same disaster
  - Subapplication(s) (for project(s) requesting HMGP federal funds) + HMGP Subapplication for Global Match Donor Project
- Cannot be phased



#### **PROS**

- Great for projects that need financial help
- Benefits can be shared across counties
- Leverage ongoing mitigation efforts
- Encourage more local participation

#### CONS

- Timing
- If GM project falls through, all projects revert to 75/25
- GM project must go through same HMGP review
- GM project can't start until under State contract



## Sub-Recipient Management Costs (SRMC)

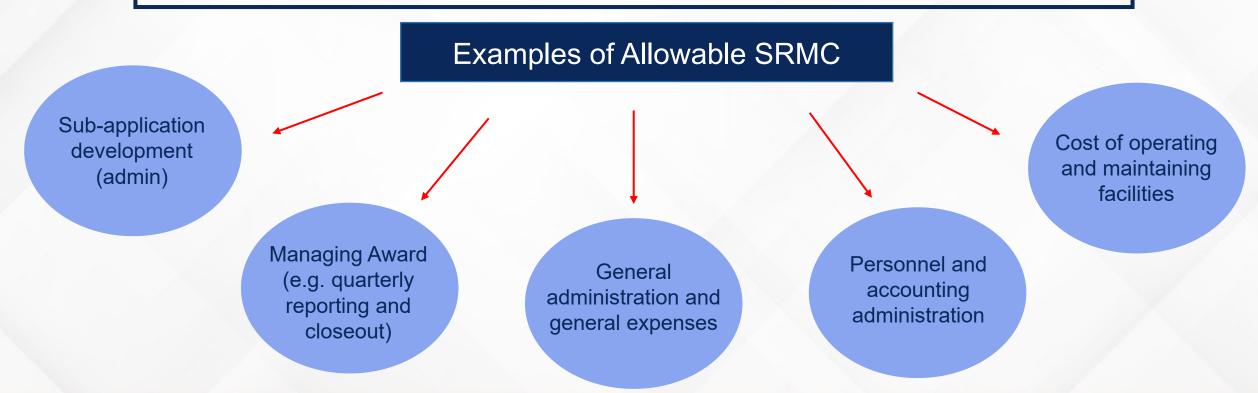
- SRMC available upon request
  - 5 percent of the HMGP award set-aside for sub-recipients for every disaster
  - Management funds and project funds must be kept separate
  - Must be requested at the time of application for specific activities
  - Indirect and/or administrative costs only
  - Cannot exceed 5 percent of the total project costs (75%/25%), or 5 percent of the proportional federal share if cost-share is below 75 % federal\*

\*Application assumes 75/25 cost-share in calculation, but if Federal cost-share ends up < 75%, SRMC will be lower based on new proportion (federal share/0.75 = applicable total project cost for SRMC)



#### **Sub-Recipient Management Costs**

Management costs are any indirect costs and administrative expenses that are reasonably incurred by a recipient or subrecipient in administering an award or subaward



# FDEM DEMES Portal

- Request Access ASAP!
- See NOFA for access request instructions
- Deadline to request access closes @ 5:00PM (EDT), on the application deadline

 All applications are due in DEMES by 11:59PM (EDT) on the application deadline

## DR-4794 Severe Storms:

- FDEM Portal Access Request Deadline
  - ➤ Wednesday, May 21, 2025, 5:00PM (EDT)

- FDEM Portal Submittal Deadline
  - ➤ Wednesday, May 21, 2025, 11:59PM (EDT)

# **DR-4806 Hurricane Debby:**

- FDEM Portal Access Request Deadline
  - ➤ Wednesday, May 21, 2025, 5:00PM (EDT)

- FDEM Portal Submittal Deadline
  - ➤ Wednesday, May 21, 2025, 11:59PM (EDT)

## DR-4828 Hurricane Helene:

- FDEM Portal Access Request Deadline
  - >Friday, July 25, 2025, 5:00PM (EDT)

- FDEM Portal Submittal Deadline
  - >Friday, July 25, 2025, 11:59PM (EDT)

# **DR-4834 Hurricane Milton:**

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  - >Friday, July 25, 2025, 5:00PM (EDT)

- FDEM Portal Submittal Deadline
  - >Friday, July 25, 2025, 11:59PM (EDT)







# Engineering



#### **Technical Application Review**

Once your application is submitted, it undergoes three concurrent reviews to ensure completeness, eligibility, and alignment with program requirements:

# PROGRAMMATIC REVIEW

Project Manager (PM)



# ENGINEERING REVIEW

Engineering (ENG) Specialist



# ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Environmental (EHP) Specialist





## Technical Application Review



The FDEM Technical Team partners with Florida sub-applicants to ensure their project applications meet all federal and state requirements, enabling a smooth and efficient award process with FEMA.

We are committed to your success—our goal is to help your mitigation project receive funding. Our performance is measured by the **successful awarding of mitigation projects** across the state.

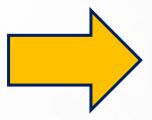


## **Engineering Review**

#### **PURPOSE**

To complete a comprehensive engineering review of the application on behalf of FEMA, ensuring the project meets all technical requirements:

- Project Eligibility
- Feasibility
- Cost Effectiveness (Benefit Cost Analysis)



#### **GOAL**

Submit the engineering part, of a formal Project Recommendation to FEMA for funding approval.



## Key Application Info for ENG Review

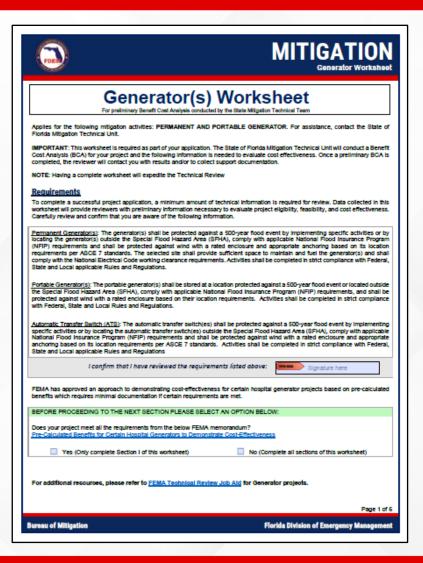
- Clearly define project type.
- Identify hazard type.
- Detailed description of the project.
- Comprehensive solution description.
- Population benefitting from the project.
- Clearly identified project location.
- Level of protection provided.
- Complete Project Worksheet.\*





#### Why is the Project Worksheet important?

- Provides the FDEM Engineering Team with data to run a BCA draft for your project.
- Helps the ENG reviewer to take the best BCA approach for the project.
- A complete worksheet guarantees a faster review.
- A complete worksheet reduces the ENG review RFI's.



To develop a clear and complete Scope of Work (SOW), ensure the following questions are answered:

- What is the proposed project?
- Where is the proposed project located?
- Who is affected by the problem and will benefit from the project?
- Will the project effectively solve the identified problem?
- What level of protection will the project provide?
- Who will be responsible for performing the work?
- What level of protection will the project provide?
- What codes and standards will the project meet?
- Why is this the best solution?

# Cost Estimate

- •A detailed budget estimate is <u>required</u> (applies to phased projects).
- Lump sum amounts are not permitted.
- •The FDEM Engineering Team will collaborate directly with all sub-applicants to review and finalize budget documentation, ensuring:
  - 1. Accurate final project cost estimation.
  - 2. Use of adequate sources to build the budget (vendors estimates, construction professionals, construction calculators, etc).
  - 3. Confirmation that all activities are eligible under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP).



#### The project schedule should:

- Reflect the time needed to complete and close out the project.
- Account for FEMA's review and award process.
- Not exceed the federal period of performance.
- Align with the Scope of Work (SOW) and budget.
- Ensure tasks and milestones align with funding obligations.
- Incorporate milestones to track and measure project progress.



# ENG Review Success

- Answer all questions Provide complete and accurate responses.
- Read the guidance Follow all guidance requirements carefully.
- Be consistent Ensure alignment across the SOW, budget, and schedule.
- Clearly explain the problem Describe the hazard and its impacts.
- Clearly explain the proposed project Show how it addresses the problem.
- Specify your goal Define the level of protection the project aims to achieve.
- Attach supporting documentation.
- Respond RFI's on a timely matter:
  - Respond within 3 business days.
  - Extensions impact review and prioritization.
  - List the correct contact person.
  - Be prepare to contact others in your organization.
  - Be ready to work with multiple teams.

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## Common Application Pitfalls

- Proposing ineligible projects such as maintenance and/or repairs.
- Proposing Capital Improvement activities.
- Providing a vague scope of work (SOW).
- Providing the schedule description under the SOW section.
- Unclear explanation of problem.
- Lack of defined level of protection.
- Ineligible construction activities.
- Lump sum project cost.
- Under estimating project cost.
- Combining programmatic, engineering and environmental RFI's/answers.
- Providing a blank Project Worksheet.







## ENG Team – Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA)

## Benefits Project Cost

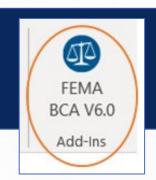


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#### **Benefits**

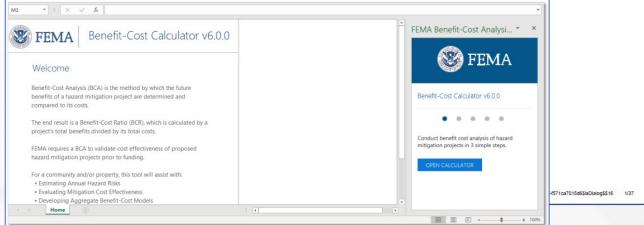
- Avoided Physical Damages.
- Avoided Emergency Response.
- Avoided Loss of Function.
- Avoided Injuries and Casualties.
- Non-Traditional Benefits.

ENG Team is heavily trained on using the tool and collecting benefits for typical and untypical projects.



-Completed by TechUnit under all scenarios -







## Benefit Cost Analysis - Options

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3

#### **Modeled Damages**

Uses available technical data to enter info into the tool and allowing it to calculate damages and benefits

- Flood Insurance Study
- Elevation Certificate
- Property Appraiser
- Other

#### **Historical Damages**

Uses available historical records

- Flooding pictures
- Insurance claims
- Homeowner affidavits
- Historical road closures
- 911 records
- Utility outages
- Other

## Professional Expected Damages

Using expected damages calculated and certified by the correct professional

- Signed and Sealed information from the Engineer of Record
- Damages using Depth
   Damaged Function tables
- H&H Studies



Best Practices and pitfalls for most common project types





## Eligible Projects Under HMGP

- Acquisition
- Elevation
  - Mitigation Reconstruction [when regular elevation is NOT an option]
- Wind Retrofit [protects structure/content]
  - Code Plus [higher standards]
  - Structural Retrofit
- Dry Floodproofing
- Generators / Bypass Pumps [only for critical facilities]
- Flood Risk Reduction

- Infrastructure Retrofit
  - Utilities
  - Mast Arm Conversion
- Safe Room [provides life protection]
- Secondary Power Source
- Stabilization
- Warning System
- Wildfire Mitigation
- Extreme Heat
- Aquifer [Recharge, Storage, and Recovery]
- Other [uncommon mitigation projects]



#### **BCA EXEMPTIONS:**

- Projects with total project cost of \$775,411 are exempt from BCA.
- Declared substantial damage structures.

#### For BCA:

- Provide history of losses.
- Provide building replacement value.
- Provide market value with supporting documentation.
- Provide project cost including demolition and debris removal (including removal of pool, septic tanks, etc).







## Elevations - Mitigation Reconstruction





#### **BCA EXEMPTIONS:**

Projects with total project cost of \$355,522 are exempt from BCA.

#### For BCA:

- Provide a copy of Elevation Certificate if available.
- Provide labeled historical losses.
- Identify source of flooding.
- Provide a statement of the problem.
- Provide building replacement value.
- Evaluate feasibility.
- Provide a complete cost estimate and narrative.



## Elevations-Mitigation Reconstruction (cont'd)





- Provide SOW narrative
- Consider multi-hazard actions (flood and wind protection).
- Include the before and after mitigation foundation type.
- Mitigation Reconstruction is an option if the structural assessment reveals the existing structure cannot be elevated.
- Read the guidance and understand the eligible activities under each project type and their limitations on construction cost and total building size.



## Generators (for critical facilities)

- Describe the use of the critical facility.
- Identify loss of service.
- Provide loss of service history with supporting documentation.
- Clearly state if permanent and/or portable.
- Clearly state the number of generators being requested and the locations.
- Provide the operational budget for the critical facility.
- If the critical facility provides utility service, provide the number of customers that could be affected.







## Generators for Critical Facilities (Cont'd)

- Consider diesel bypass pumps as better alternative for sewage projects.
- Provide detailed cost estimate with all installation components and supporting documentation (ATS, electrical connections, fuel tank, etc).
- Be aware of requirements if located in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). It is required to provide the generator with protection against the 2% flood chance (aka 500-year flood event), and must be protected against wind debris damage.







### Flood Risk Reduction





- Identify flood source.
- Provide label history of flooding.
- Provide label historical records of road closures.
- Provide historical road repairs due to a natural event.
- Provide number of road trips.
- Provide detour map and additional mileage the people in the area will experience.
- Project detailed budget and narrative.
- Population affected.
- Properties directly affected.



- Provide systemic protection to the building.
- Conduct a feasibility wind study; all building findings must be addressed in your SOW.
- Clearly indicate the type of protection proposed (shutters, impact resistant glass, etc).
- Confirm code compliance of the roof.
- Provide operational budget or people being served by the facility.
- Provide operational budget.
- Be aware of code requirements based on building category.
- Be aware wind retrofits under HMGP are <u>not</u> intended to protect human lives.















- Must comply FEMA P-361/FEMA P-320.
- Indicate the type of safe room you are proposing (tornado/hurricane)
- Hurricane safe rooms are mainly intended for first responders.
- Include conceptual floor plan or sketch.
- Size of building accordingly with the number of people that will be using the facility.
- Provide total usable area, design wind speed, and the protected population.
- Provide detailed budget with eligible safe room activities.
- Indicate how the new safe room will count with backup utilities.
- Be aware a peer review is required as part of Phase I deliverables.



### Infrastructure Retrofit

- Describe the infrastructure you will be retrofitting and a detailed description of the proposal.
- Identify loss of service.
- Provide loss of service history with supporting documentation.
- Provide the number of customers that will benefit from the project.
- Provide detailed budget clearly describing all project components.
- Provide professional expected damages from the appropriate professional.
- Provided supporting documentation for all data.











# Environmental and Historic Preservation



## Environmental and Historic Preservation Review

**HMGP Applicant Briefing** 

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- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
  - Requires Environmental and Historic Preservation (EHP) reviews for all projects with federal agency involvement, such as funding.
- FDEM staff will conduct the EHP review on behalf of FEMA.
  - Review areas: physical, biological, social, and cultural





## **EHP Goals**

To document that your project meets the required federal environmental laws and regulations.

#### Things To Remember:

- ALL projects are required to undergo EHP review in order to obtain Federal funding.
- Projects without EHP review cannot be submitted for Federal grant approval.
- Projects cannot start construction BEFORE EHP review is competed.





## EHP Review - Relevant Laws/Executive Orders

- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- National Historic Preservation Act
- Endangered Species Act
- Coastal Barrier Resources Act
- Clean Water Act
- Coastal Zone Management Act
- Clean Air Act
- Farmlands Protection Policy Act
- Migratory Bird Treaty Act
- Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act
- Wild and Scenic Rivers Act
- E.O. 11988 Floodplains
- E.O. 11990 Wetlands



What Do We Need From You? Provide complete and detailed applications with attachments.

Respond to all parts of RFIs in a timely manner.

## Complete and Detailed Applications

At minimum, all projects require these documents in the application for EHP:

- Coordinates for the activity (decimal degree format).
- Aerial map outlining all activities with project address and accurate coordinates.
- Photos of the area(s) where the project activities are occurring with labels explaining the content.
- FIRMette map with project location indicated, including coordinates.
- Ground disturbance map if applicable.
- Documentation showing year built (Property Appraiser) for buildings or residences.
- Project Alternatives



## **Examples of Good Information - Coordinates**

- Coordinates should always be in decimal degree format as shown below.
- If a project contains more than one location or is a larger scale project, all locations and coordinates should be provided.

#### Multiple Locations:

Fire Station	Address	Coordinates
1	000 Hawk Ridge, Sunny, Florida 32000	(28.345678, -82,234567)
2	000 Hawk Ridge, Sunny, Florida 32000	(28.345678, -82,234567)
3	0th Street NE, Sunny, Florida 32000	(28.345678, -82,234567)
4	000 Heron Road, Sunny, Florida 32000	(28.345678, -82,234567)
5	000 Sandpiper Road, Sunny, Florida 32000	(28.345678, -82,234567)

#### **Linear Projects:**

Location	Coordinates	
State Road 30-E	Begin	(28.345678, -82,234567)
Somewhere in Florida, 32800		
·	End	(28.345678, -82,234567)

#### Large Area Projects:

Location	Coordinates		
Sunny, Florida 32000	NE	(28.345678, -82,234567)	
	NW	(28.345678, -82,234567)	
	SE	(28.345678, -82,234567)	
	SW	(28.345678, -82,234567)	



## Examples of Good Information – Aerial Map

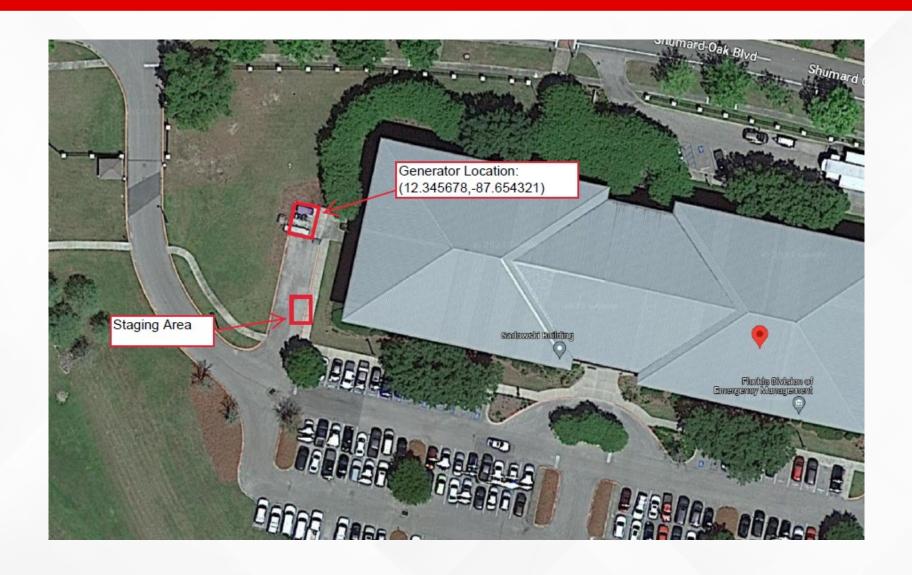
A good aerial map will contain a clear indication of where the project will be occurring and will include accurate coordinates for the project area.





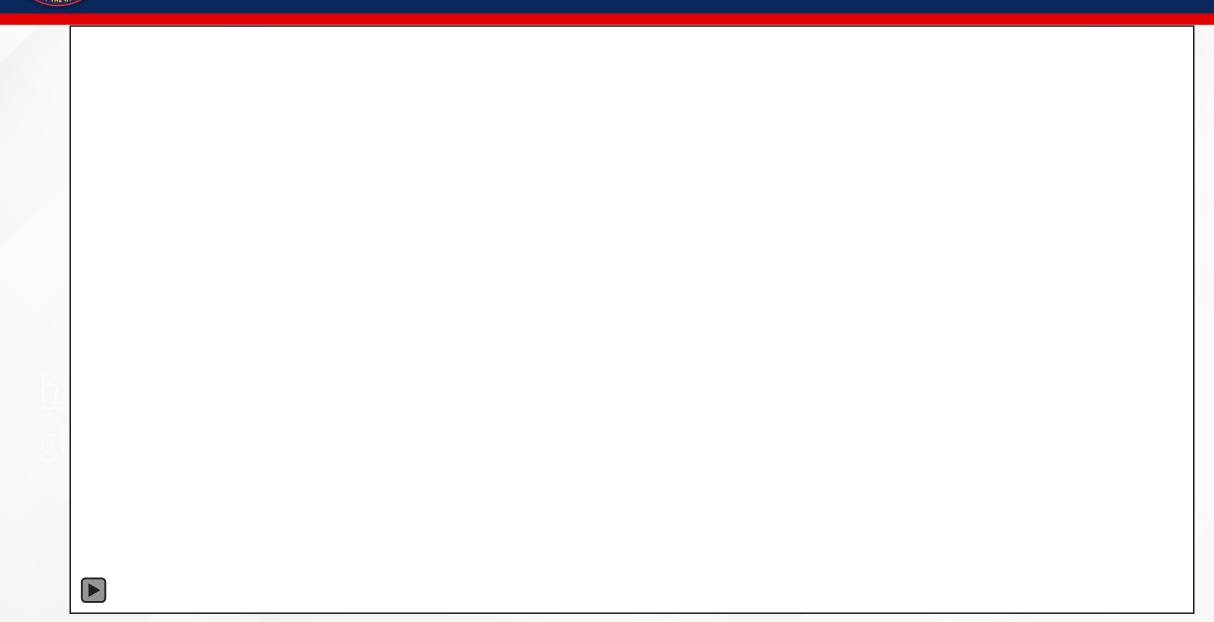
## Examples of Good Information – Aerial Map

Example of a
Generator Project.
Here we show the
outline of where
the generator will
be located with the
coordinates and
the staging area.





## Finding Coordinates and Creating a Map





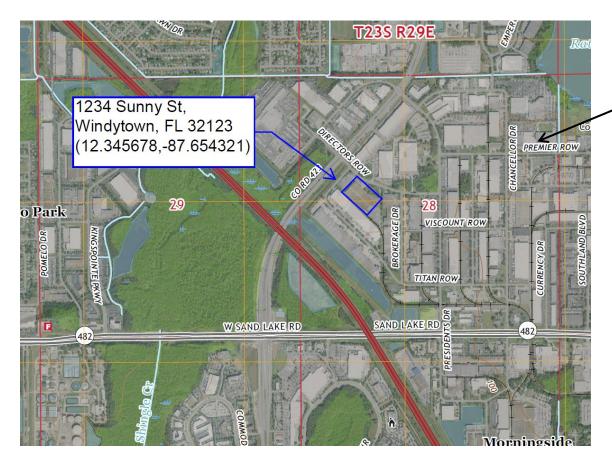
Does Your
Project
Require
Ground
Disturbance?

This could include, but is not limited to, leveling an area, running underground electrical connections, directional boring, or excavation.

If yes, a ground disturbance map and a 1:24,000 topographic map will need to be provided.

### 1:24,000- USGS scale topographic maps

https://www.usgs.gov/programs/nationalgeospatial-program/topographic-maps

















### **Ground Disturbance Requirements**

- Dimensions if applicable (length, width, and height)
- Vertical depth in feet (ft)
- Total area of ground disturbance (sq ft)
- Staging area(s) with coordinates
- Accurate coordinates and physical addresses of all areas of ground disturbance

Note: Ground disturbance information should be provided for <u>each</u> activity that will require it.



### Ground Disturbance Maps - Example

Maps need to include activities clearly outlined, coordinates for ground disturbance, area dimensions, and depth.





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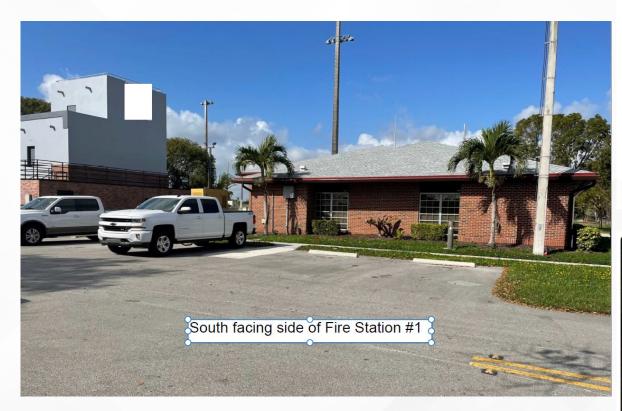


### Examples of Good Information – Photos

Photos should be clear and represent the project area.

Labels should indicate what the photos contain.

There should be photos for all sides of a structure.





Photograph #1 – Existing Subdivision control structure (upstream view).



Photograph #2 – Existing Subdivision control structure (downstream view).



### **Examples of DOs and DON'Ts**



DO: Submit clear, sharp images free from obstructions.



**DO:** Submit full front elevation (side of building) photos



Don't: Take photos with obstructions.



**DON'T:** Submit distorted photos or photos at an angle so that portions of the elevation are not visible

Source: FEMA Region 4 EHP Photo Guide



### Two alternatives are required:

- 1. The No Action Alternative
  - What happens if nothing is done?



### Alternative Action

 What else has been considered to address the same problem? Why was this option not selected?



# Additional Required Information

Each project is different, and some require additional supporting documentation and information in order to be approved. The following questions can guide you through the application development process.



Is your project located in a floodplain or proposing to reduce flood risk?

Flood risk reduction projects could include elevations, acquisition/demolitions, mitigation reconstructions, or drainage projects.

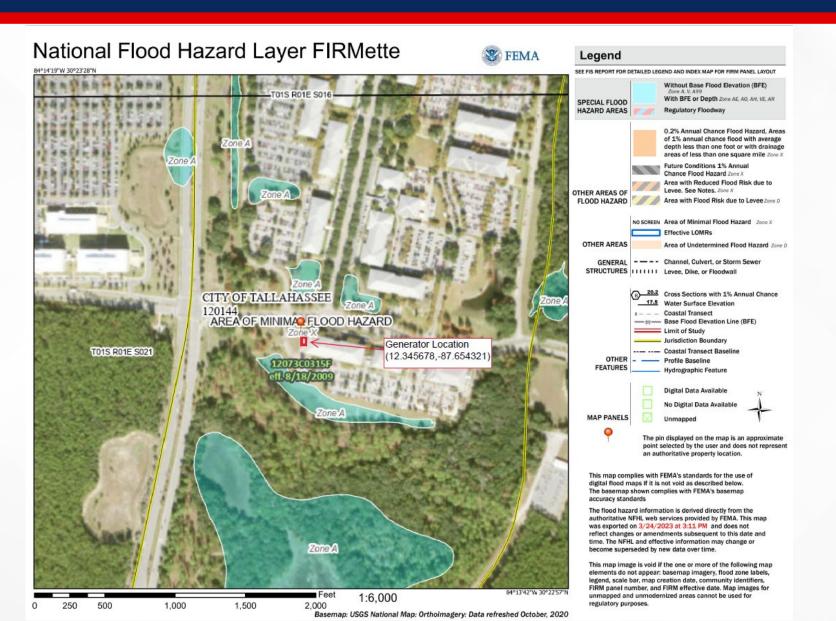
Critical actions such as generator projects or projects involving critical facilities like EOCs, fire stations, or hospitals are considered in the floodplain if they are located in X (Shaded) zones.



### Examples of Good Information – FIRMette

Project location should be clearly indicated on the map.

https://msc.fema.gov/portal/home





### Preliminary FIRMS & EO 11988

Preliminary FIRMs are the Unofficial Updated FIRM map of the effective (current) FIRM available. The counties containing Preliminary FIRMs are:

- Calhoun, Citrus, Gadsden, Gulf, Hendry, Jackson, Lee, Leon, Marion, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Suwannee, and Washington.
- Include Preliminary FIRMs if available
  - https://hazards.fema.gov/femaportal/prelimdownload/
  - https://hazardsfema.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id =5852ea902db44e55bfce395799315f9c





## Public Notice

 If a public notice is required, a template can be provided, and a draft can be attached to the application.
 Please do not post the notice until requested to do so.

#### JOINT FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL PUBLIC NOTICE 04/15/2025

The Federal Emergency Management Agency and Florida Division of Emergency Management have received the following application for Federal grant funding. Final notice is hereby given of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) consideration to provide funding in the form of Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Funds will be provided in accordance with Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93-288, as amended.

Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), federal actions must be reviewed and evaluated for feasible alternatives and for social, economic, historic, environmental, legal, and safety considerations. Under Executive Order (EO) 11988 and EO 11990 FEMA is required to consider alternatives to and to provide public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands

Funding for the proposed project will be conditional upon compliance with all applicable federal, tribal, state and local laws, regulations, floodplain standards, permit requirements and conditions.

#### Applicant:

Florida Division of Emergency Management

#### Project Title:

HMGP-4567-(123) Florida Division of Emergency Management, State Example Building, Generator

#### Location of Proposed Work:

123 Florida Street, Sunshine, Florida 32000

#### Proposed Work and Purpose:

The Florida Division of Emergency Management proposes to provide backup power to the State Example Building by installing a 125-kW permanent generator or an adequate size to appropriately support the building. The proposed project will provide power during outages to maintain the critical facility fully operational and without interruptions.

#### **Project Alternatives:**

The alternatives to the project that have been and will be considered are 1) the no action alternative and 2) the purchase of a portable generator. These alternatives to the proposed project are not viable because under Alternative 1) the No Action alternative would leave the State Example Building without power in the event of a power outage, causing an interruption in operations; and Alternative 2) The purchase of a portable generator is not the most practical option because it requires staff to deploy and install the generator during a time where staffing may be limited.

#### Comment Period:

Comments are solicited from the public; local, state or federal agencies; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed project. The comments should be made in writing and addressed to the Florida Division of Emergency Management, Bureau of Mitigation, 2555 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-2100. These are due within 15 days of this notice or by 04/15/2025. The State will forward comments to applicable regulatory agencies as needed. Interested persons may submit comments, obtain more detailed information about the proposed action, or request a copy of the findings by contacting:

Johnny Bravo, State Example Building Administrator Florida Division of Emergency Management (850) 123-4567 Johnny.Bravo@example.com

State Environmental Specialist Team Florida Division of Emergency Management

MitigationEnvironmental@em.myflorida.com



Is your project in or does it affect wetlands or bodies of water?

If yes, the project will require consultation with USACE for Section 404 determination/permitting. The project may also require an Environmental Resource Permit (ERP).

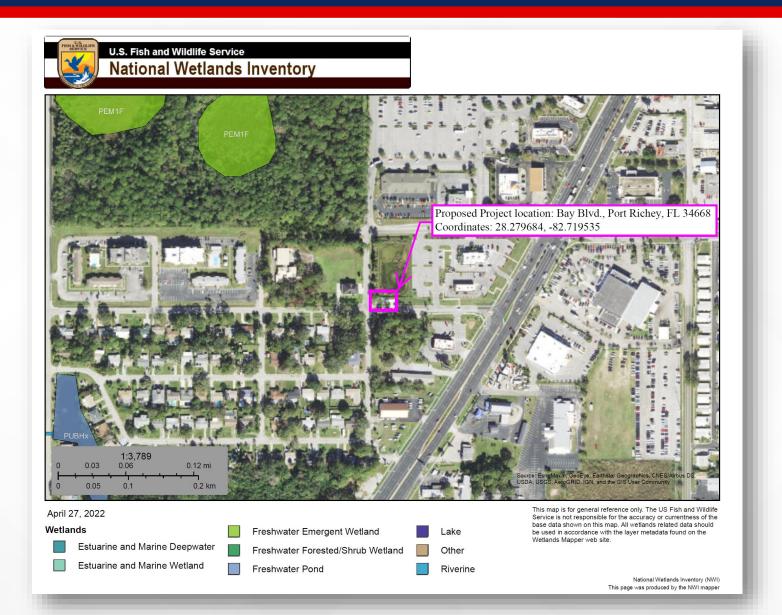
If your project is near water, please indicate if work in water will be required.



### Wetlands Map - Example

USFWS National Wetlands Inventory Mapper:

https://fwsprimary.wim.usg s.gov/wetlands/apps/wetla nds-mapper/





# Coastal County?

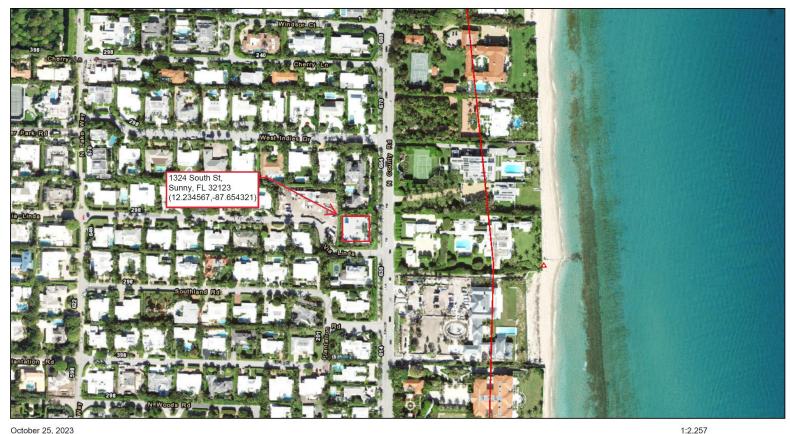
 Provide a Coastal Construction Control Line (CCCL) map with the location indicated if your project is near the coast.

https://ca.dep.state.fl.us/mapdirect/?webmap=a8c9e92fbad5446d987a8dd4ee5dc5cc



### CCCL Map - Example

### City of Example, Community Center, Wind Retrofit - CCCL



- CCCL

Coastal Range Monuments

A Range Monuments

		1:2,257	
0	0.03	0.05	0.1 mi
0	0.04	0.08	0.16 km

Esri, HERE, iPC, FDEP, WRM, BCMS, State of Florida, Maxar, Microsoft



What to include in the application:

- Permits (verify expiration date)
- No Permit Required (NPR) letter
- Permit applications or any correspondence



Does your project involve changes to a structure over 45 years old?

If yes, FDEM & FEMA will conduct a National Historic Preservation Act consultation with the SHPO and Tribes. We will require additional information on the existing structure and how the proposed changes may impact the structure.

This could include a description of the proposed products that would be installed and information about the existing structure. Spec sheets or photo examples of new products may be required.



### Additional information if structure is over 45 years

- Any known site work or historic uses for the project location.
- Approximate year of any known alterations or additions to the building since its construction (e.g., Window replacement, change in exterior finish, roof replacement, etc.)
- If property involves a building over 50 years being demolished, provide a Master Site File Historical structure form.
  - https://dos.myflorida.com/historical/preservation/ master-site-file/documents-forms/





### Age Verification

- Age verification will be needed for any building/house
- This will typically be the County's Property Appraiser.
- Year Built (not effective year built) will be the year used in all documentation.



Property Use: 73-01 Hospital - privately owned

Millage Code: 0312

Adj. Bldg. S.F: 1503015

**Bldg Under Air S.F:** 

**Effective Year: 1986** 

Year Built: 1938

Units/Beds/Baths: 0 / /



### **Endangered Species Act**

- This is another law that could be triggered and require additional information and consultation with federal agencies.
- Are federally listed threatened or endangered species or their critical habitat present in the area affected by the project?
- Are project activities anticipated to affect species or designated critical habitats?
- The Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) resource list shows the Endangered Species and Critical Habitats that could potentially be within your project area:

https://ipac.ecosphere.fws.gov/

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PaC: Explore Location resources

IPaC

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

### IPaC resource list

This report is an automatically generated list of species and other resources such as critical habitat (collectively referred to as *trust resources*) under the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (USFWS) jurisdiction that are known or expected to be on or near the project area referenced below. The list may also include trust resources that occur outside of the project area, but that could potentially be directly or indirectly affected by activities in the project area. However, determining the likelihood and extent of effects a project may have on trust resources typically requires gathering additional site-specific (e.g., vegetation/species surveys) and project-specific (e.g., magnitude and timing of proposed activities) information.

Below is a summary of the project information you provided and contact information for the USFWS office(s) with jurisdiction in the defined project area. Please read the introduction to each section that follows (Endangered Species, Migratory Birds, USFWS Facilities, and NWI Wetlands) for additional information applicable to the trust resources addressed in that section.

#### Location

Charlotte County, Florida



#### Local office

Florida Ecological Services Field Office

- (352) 448-9151
- (772) 562-4288
- fw4flesregs@fws.gov

ttps://ipac.ecosphere.fws.gov/location/5AMKUVX6YFETFFQ7IEBHPIKJGE/resources



### EHP - Common Application Pitfalls

- Inaccurate coordinates
- Coordinates not in decimal degree format
- Address and coordinates do not match
- Missing Aerial/Ground Disturbance Maps
- Old or bad-quality photos
- Not labelled photographs
- Maps without the project location marked
- Missing project alternatives
- Missing property appraiser or other documentation with the date of construction

Submitting incomplete, inadequate, or inconsistent information/documentation can delay the EHP review process





That was a lot of information and I don't know where to start!



### **EHP Worksheet**



### **MITIGATION**

### **Environmental & Historic Preservation Worksheet**

For preliminary Environmental and Historic Preservation review conducted by the State Mitigation Technical Team

Important: The State of Florida Mitigation Technical Unit will conduct the Environmental and Historic Preservation (EHP) Review for your project and the following information is needed. Once a preliminary review of the application and worksheet is conducted, the assigned Environmental Specialist will reach out with any questions or needs for clarification.

Note: A completed EHP Worksheet will expedite the Technical Review. Completion of this worksheet does not guarantee additional information will not be required. If additional information or clarification is needed during application review, the reviewer will contact you.

#### Requirements

The following information is the minimum amount of technical information required to complete the EHP review. Data collected in this document will provide reviewers with preliminary information necessary to evaluate potential environmental impacts.

All projects require an EHP review conducted by the technical team in order to achieve funding.

#### Section I - Project General Information

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Project Name:		Worksh	eet completed by:	
		Name:		
		Title:		
Sub-Applicant:		Phone:		
		Email:		

For additional information and resources, please refer to FEMA's Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation checklist for Hazard Mitigation Assistance Application Reviews.



### **MITIGATION**

#### Section II - Project Location

The table below allows data for up to 8 locations. If your project has more than 8 locations, you can either submit a second EHP Worksheet or attach a separate list providing the information requested below and in Section III.

ID	Project Location	② Coordinates	2 *Age of Structure	@ Ground Disturbance?	@Critical Action
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2.				-Select-	-Select -
3.				-Select-	-Select
4.				-Select-	-Select
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7.				-Select-	-Select
8.				-Select-	-Select -

\*Applicable only if the proposed project involves a structure.

#### Section III - Environmental Details

ID	@Flood Zone	FIRM Panel #	Panel Date	Preliminary Panel Available?	Preliminary Flood Zone	Preliminary Panel #	or Waterbody?	Seaward of CCCL?
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Florida Division of Emergency Management



Ground

Critical

Dicturbance?

Will any groundwork occur to implement the project? Common ground disturbing activities include installation of -S concrete pads, site preparations, running electrical conduits, trenching, directional boring, and excavation. If ground disturbing activities are occurring, a Ground Disturbance Map is required to be attached to the application. See -Section IV instructions for more details.

-Select-

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Florida Division of Emergency Management

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# Why should you fill out the EHP worksheet?

The worksheet addresses some of the most common RFIs that go out for projects.

Having these answers let the team get a jump start on the EHP review and reduces the number of RFIs you'll need to respond to.



### Helpful Resources

- https://portal.floridadisaster.org/mitigation/HMGP Project Tracker/ layouts/15/WopiFrame.aspx?sourcedoc={F89F75} 2E-7F1C-4F29-B7CA-FA4527F364DD}&file=FEMA%20-%20EHP%20Guidance%20by%20Project%20Type.pdf&action=default
- FEMA Region 3 Photo Guide:
   https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema\_region-3\_ehp\_photo-guide-2020.pdf
- National Wetland Inventory Mapper:
   https://fwsprimary.wim.usgs.gov/wetlands/apps/wetlands-mapper/
- Flood Maps: https://msc.fema.gov/portal/home



### Environmental Planning and Historic PreservationChecklist for Hazard Mitigation Assistance Application Reviews

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is required by law to review all grant projects to determine effectson the environment. Some disaster and non-disaster Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) projects that will not result in any physical change to the environment typically do not require an in-depth environmental and historic preservation (EHP) review. Such projects include the development of mitigation plans, public education and training activities, weather radios, and Phase I feasibility studies and assessments. For these projects, a <u>detailed scope of work</u> explaining the activity should be sufficient to complete the environmental review. DISCLAIMER: This checklist is <u>NOT</u> a substitute for providing a complete scope of work or scoping narrative. This checklist is pertinent to EHP only.

For all other projects, please provide the items listed based on project type to assist with the EHP review. While these guidelines are as specific as possible, be aware that additional information, studies, surveys, design plans, agency coordination and consultation letters, etc. may be needed on a case-by-case basis depending on the proposed scope of work and location. The items listed below will help EHP determine the proposed project's potential to affect the natural and cultural resources such as species and critical habitats, migratory flyways, floodplains, wetlands, water and air quality archaeological and historic resources, and viewsheds, socioeconomic name a few. Note, for projects where ground is being disturbed, FEMA R4 will consult with both the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the Tribal Historic Preservation Offices (THPOs) as both entities have jurisdiction over archaeological resources. Note, the applicant and/or sub-applicant should not consult directly with any Tribes. FEMA will consult with Federally Recognized Tribes directly as needed during the project review process.

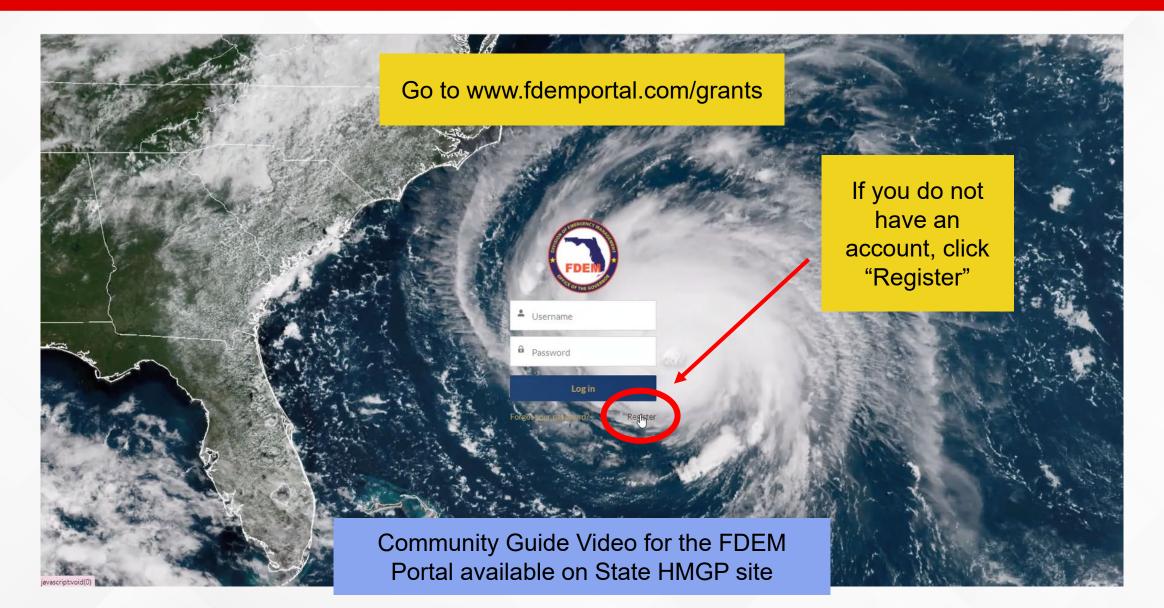
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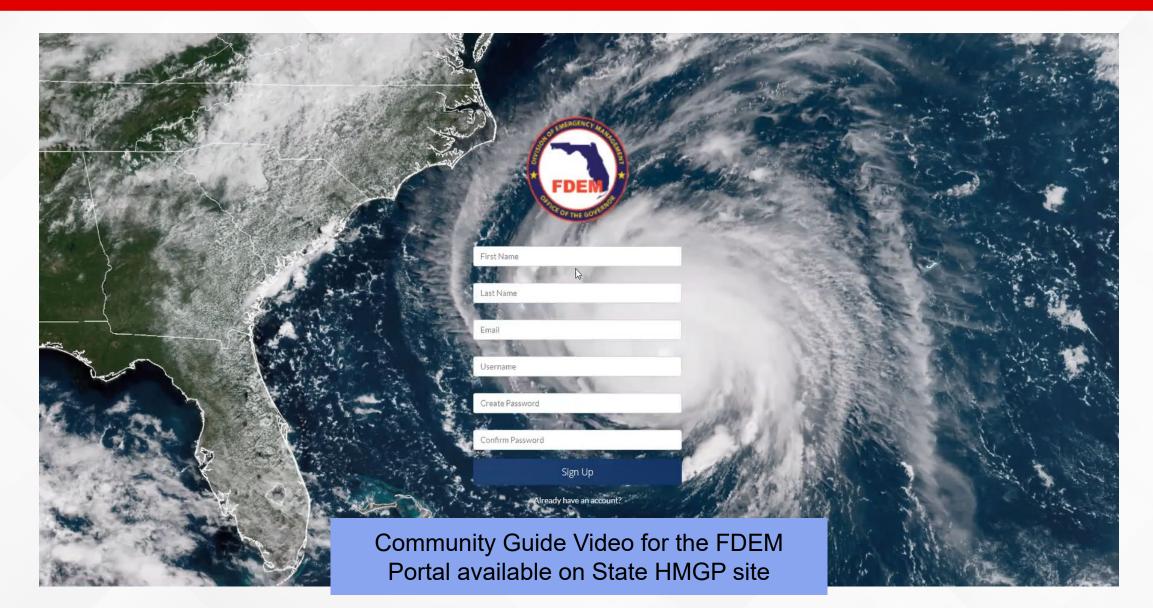
- Scope of Work Details:
  - GPS and address for each project site(s), including any alternate properties the sub-applicant wants approved at the time of award. If there are multiple properties, an electronic spreadsheet with addresses and GPS coordinates is needed.
  - Date of construction for all structure(s), including ancillary buildings and alternate properties.
  - Date of any major modification or renovations for each structure and alternate property. Interior, exterior, or both?
  - · Maps, photos, etc. illustrating the project site must be clear, in color and labeled.
  - Dimensions of ground disturbance in the project area.
  - Indicate if ground disturbance is within the existing footprint or will occur outside of the existing structure's footprint and provide dimensions of ground disturbance.
  - Indicate if foundation is to be removed and provide depth of disturbance. If the entire
    foundation is not to be removed, identify the depth and area of disturbance expected.
  - · Staging location of equipment for all properties (GPS in decimal format)
  - · Information if there will be work on utilities (i.e., capping or removing of utilities)

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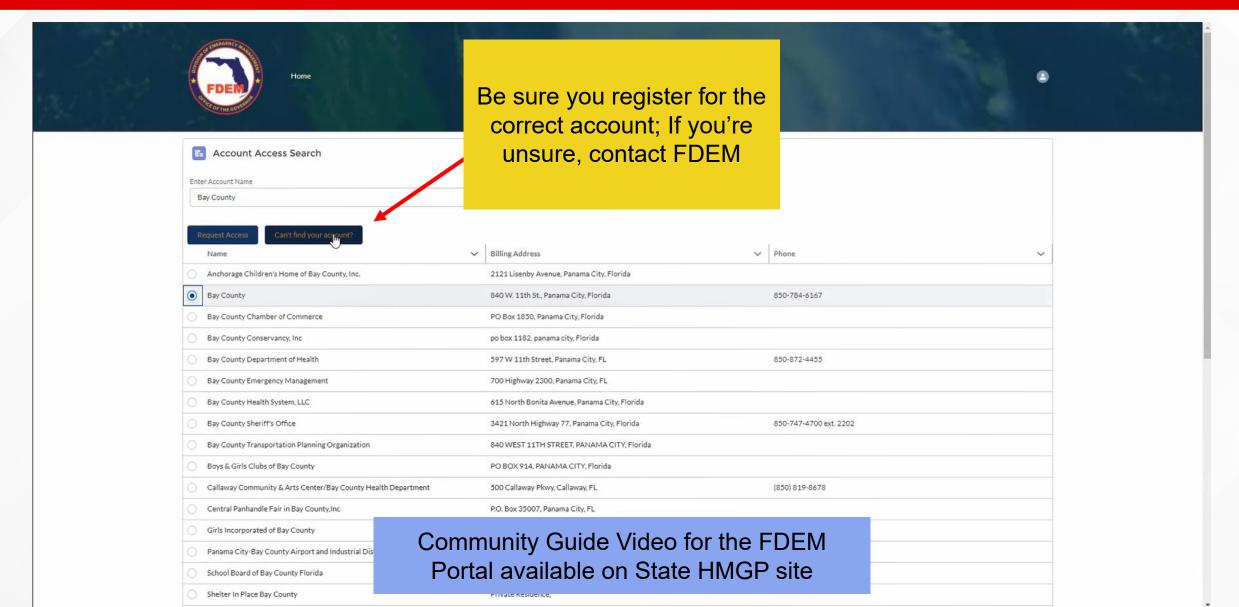


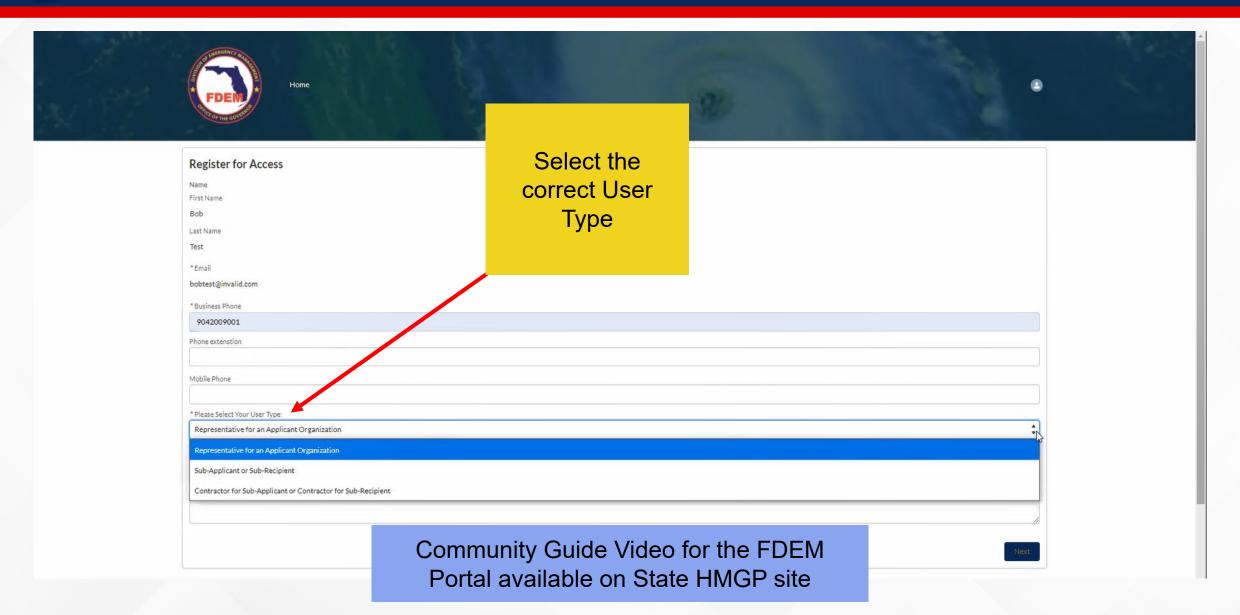
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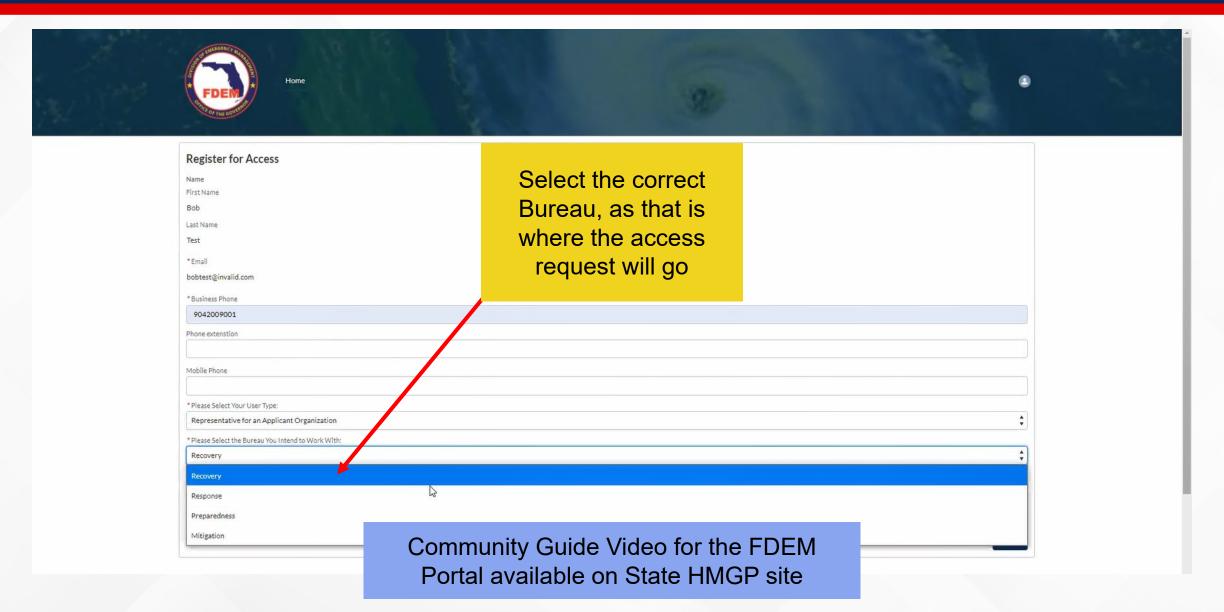






















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**Preparedness Grants** 

- Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)
  - · Volunteer Florida
- Emergency Management Preparedness and Assistance (EMPA) Grant
  - · Volunteer Florida
  - · Civil Air Patrol
- State Homeland Security Grant Prog (HSGP)
  - Operation Stonegarden (OPSG)
  - · Urban Area Security Initiative (
  - Nonprofit Security Grant Progr (NSGP)



**Recovery Grants** 

- · Public Assistance Grant Program
- Fire Management Assistance Grant
  Program
- · Hurricane Michael State Recovery Grant
- · Florida Citrus Recovery Block Grant (CRBG)
- Timber
- CARES Act



**Response Grants** 

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- · Hazard Analysis Contract
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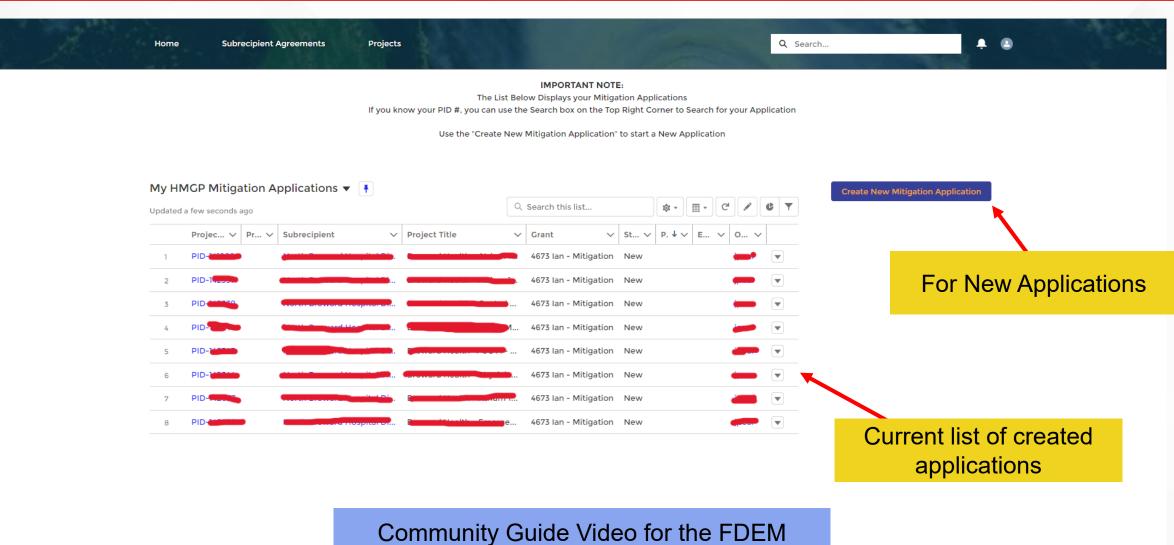


**Mitigation Grants** 

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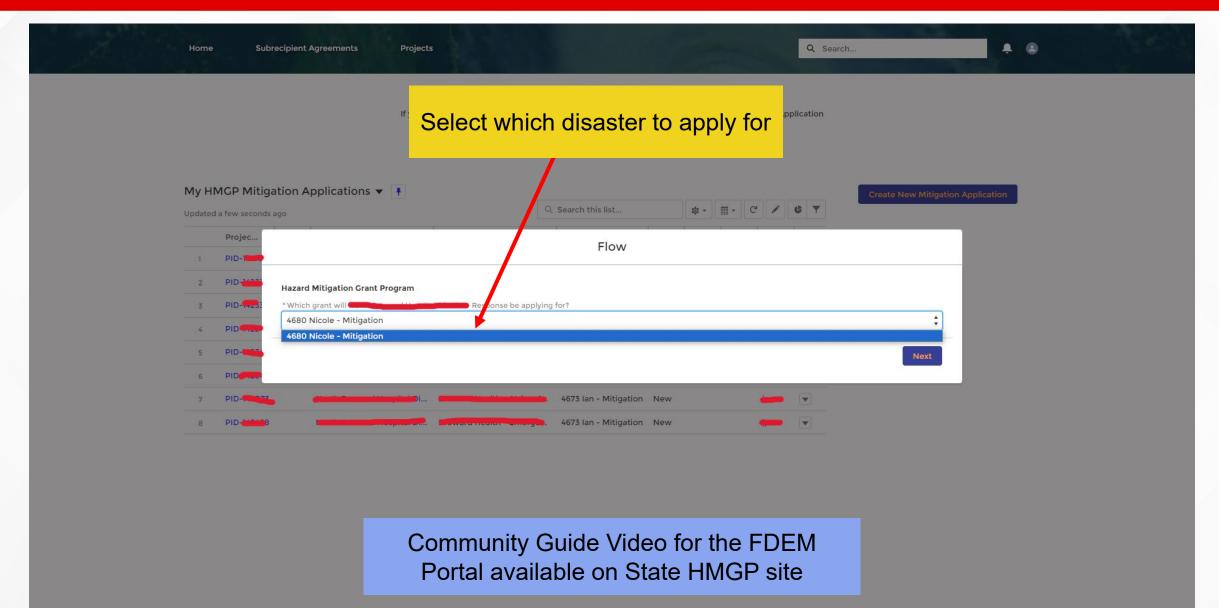
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Alternate way to find projects via SA#/PID#

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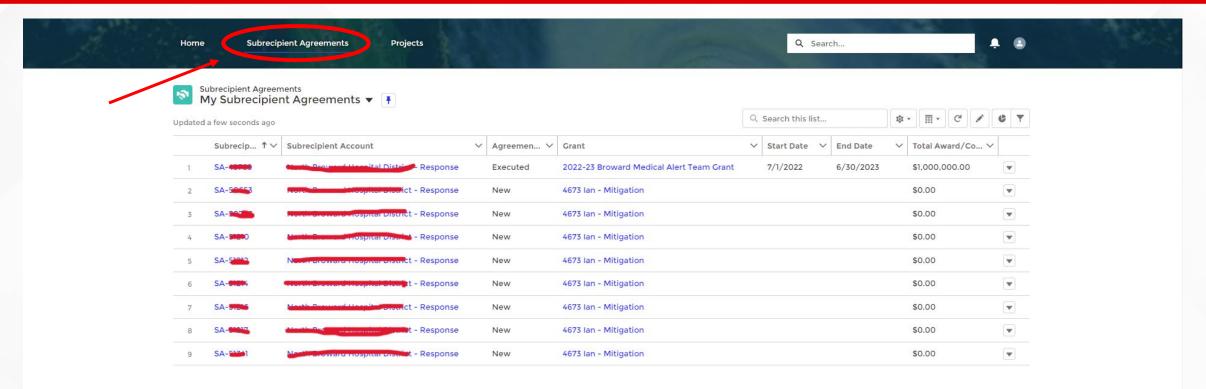


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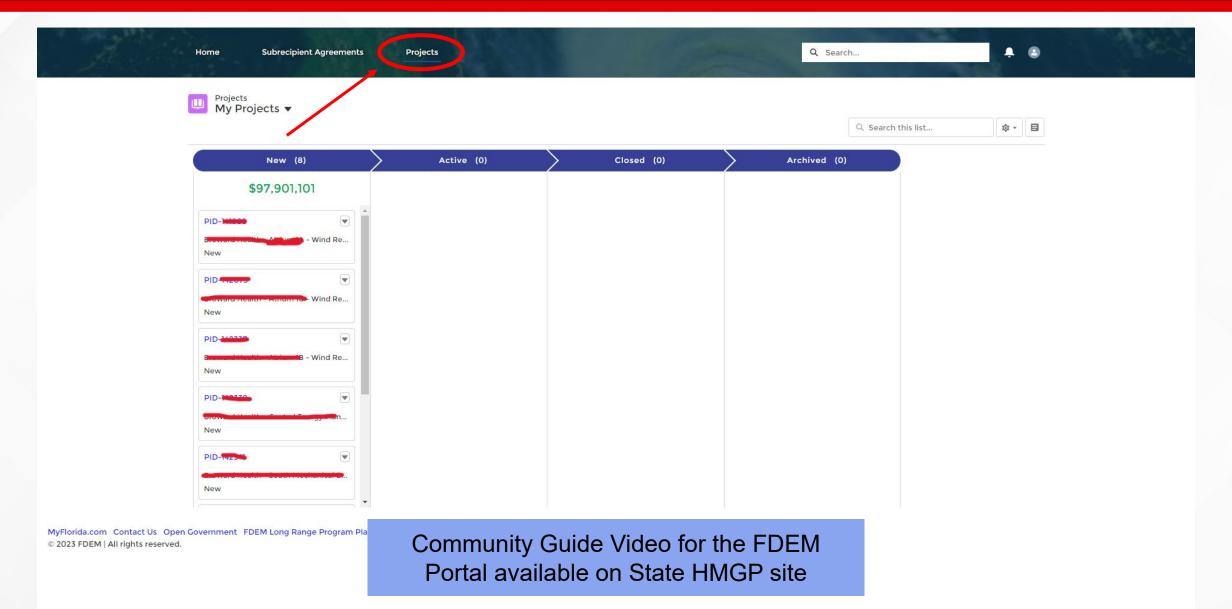




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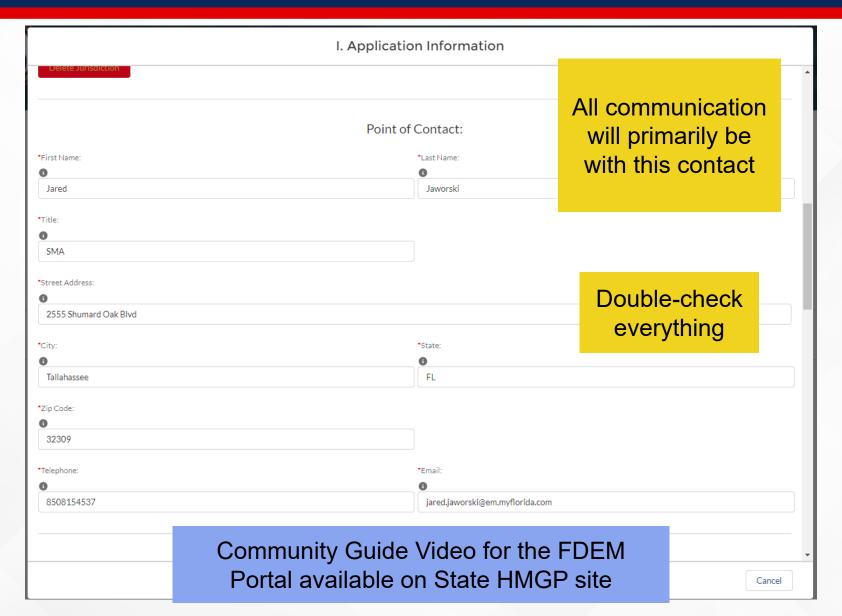
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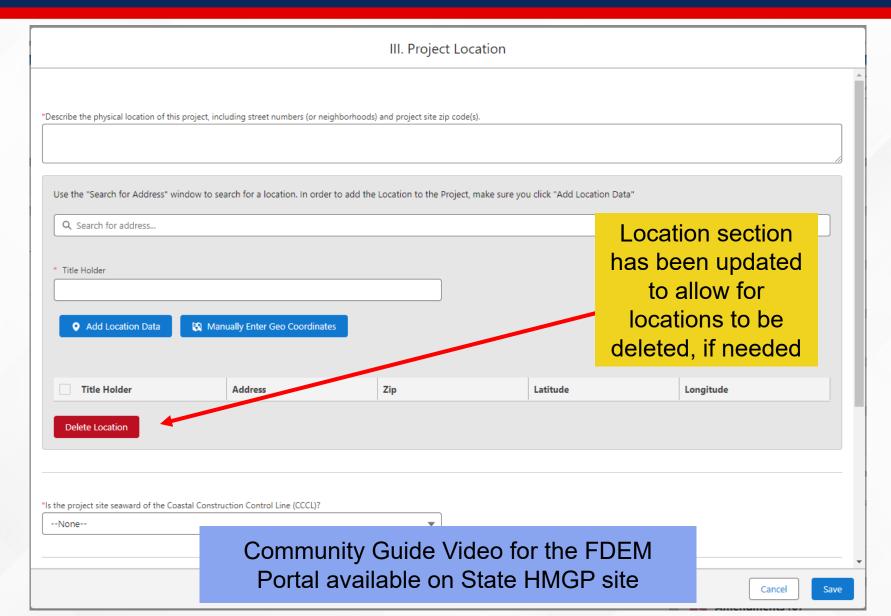
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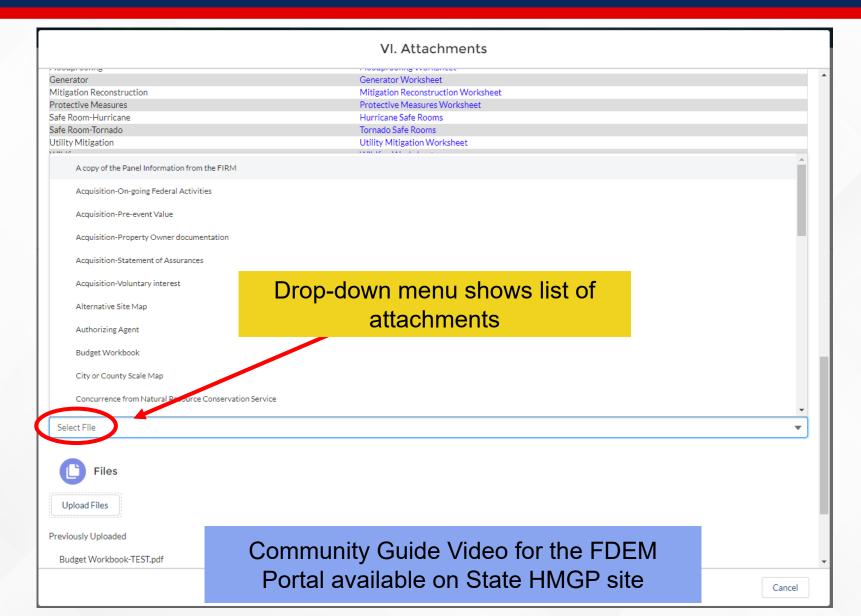
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	Authorized Applicant Agent (proof of authorization authority An authorized agent is the chief elected official of a local government who has signature			
I am the Authorized Agent:  First Name:  Jared  Title:	*Last Name:  Jaworski	This person will receive the application to sign		
*Street Address:  111 Northwest 1st Street				
*City: Miami  *Zip Code: 33132	*State:	Double-check everything		
•Telephone: 9045292200	*Email:  jared.jaworski@em.myflorida.com			
Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) Compliance				
*All proposed projects must be included Mitigation Plan and this project is listed? Yes	Community Guide Video for the Portal available on State HMGI	The state of the		



VI. Attachments		
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*Letter of endorsement for this project from the Share (Section IV. I.1.) allocated to this project.	county's LMS Coordinator Ensure the LMS endorsement letter contains both the Total Estimated Projects Cost (Section IV. D.), along with the Estimated Federal	
*FIRM Map		
*City or County Scale Map (large enough to show	v the entire project area with the project site and structures marked on the map).	
*Attach a USGS 1:24,000 TOPO map with project	site clearly marked on the map.	
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*Budget Workbook		
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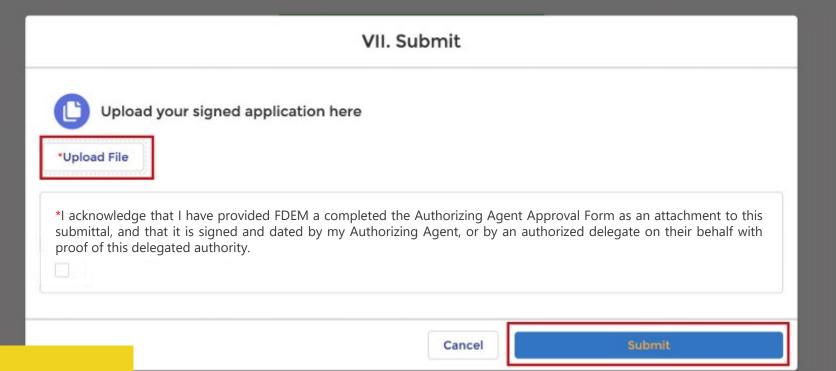
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Uploading the Authorizing Agent Approval form will be the final step and will provide the AA's Signature

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