AGENDA

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THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM (HMGP) FUNDING

Since 1989, there have been 1,485 Major Disaster Declarations resulting in the availability of $13.8 billion Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds.

Data current as of Feb. 2017
Individual homeowners, businesses, and private nonprofits may apply for funding through eligible subapplicants.

Subapplicants:
- State Agencies
- Federally-Recognized Tribes
- Tribal Agencies
- Private Nonprofits
- Local Government/Communities

Applicants:
- Territories
- Federally-Recognized Tribes
- States

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HMGP PROJECT SCOPING

HMGP Project Scoping Steps

1. Develop alternative solutions to problem
2. Scope alternatives
3. Identify mitigation activity that best meets HMGP program requirements
4. Develop project

Considerations
- Technical feasibility
- Cost review
- Cost-effectiveness
- Environmental and cultural resources effects
- Support of community
HMGP GRANT LIFECYCLE

1. Develop/update hazard mitigation plan
2. Identify the community need
3. Project scoping
4. Project development
5. Subapplication development

Subapplication submission and review

Award

Project implementation

Project monitoring

Project closeout

Frontloading steps
FIRE MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE GRANTS
To prevent a wildfire from becoming a major disaster

CAN HAPPEN WITHIN A MATTER OF HOURS

STATE REQUESTS ASSISTANCE AT THREAT OF MAJOR DISASTER.
FEMA REGIONAL OFFICE EVALUATES REQUEST WITH TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT FROM DEPT. OF INTERIOR ADVISOR.
FIRE MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE GRANT DECLARED.
GRANT CAN COVER
- Personnel & staffing
- Equipment & supplies
- Meals, health & safety items
- Pre-positioning resources
- Emergency work
• Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG)-HMGP Pilot
  • Section 570 of the DHS Appropriations Act authorized HMGP assistance following fire management assistance declarations March 04, 2015 through December 18, 2015

• Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Post Fire
  • Section 20602 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 authorizes HMGP assistance following fire management assistance declarations from October 01, 2016- September 30, 2018
Examples of wildfire mitigation projects are ones that:

- Create defensible space around structures
- Support ignition-resistant construction
- Reduce hazardous fuels near at-risk structures
Examples of activities include: erosion control mats, large-scale seeding to induce vegetation growth, log terraces to channel flood water, silt fences to prevent sediment runoff, and mulching to protect important minerals in the soil.

Note: FEMA encourages the mitigation of wildfire and related hazards such as flood and erosion. However, HMGP Post Fire is available for the risk reduction of any hazard.
Post fire areas are more susceptible to flooding, landslides, and debris flows due to the loss of vegetation and increased runoff.
HMA GUIDANCE EXCEPTIONS:

1. A Fire Management Assistance declaration rather than a Presidential major disaster declaration activates HMGP assistance.
HMA GUIDANCE EXCEPTIONS:

2. Assistance is first available for counties and tribal lands that receive Fire Management Assistance declarations. If these areas cannot use the funding it may be available statewide. Applicants must detail their respective process, with deadlines, in their HMGP Administrative Plan.
MULTIPLE DESIGNATED AREAS

Fire Perimeter

County 1

County 2

Tribal Land
PROJECT OUTSIDE OF DECLARED AREA, BENEFITS DECLARED AREA
FUNDING IN NON-DECLARED AREA, DOES NOT BENEFIT DECLARED AREA

Declared Areas Cannot Use Funding: No HM Plan or Cost Share
3. HMGP funding amounts are based on a national aggregate for each Fire Management Assistance declaration and HMGP assistance shall be aggregated under the first declaration.
FUNDING AMOUNTS

$425,008 per declaration
Standard Plan

$566,677 per declaration
Enhanced plan
HAZARD MITIGATION PLANS

Standard Plan: A hazard mitigation plan is a stakeholder-driven document that a state, tribal, or local government uses to describe risks and vulnerabilities as well as long-term strategies and implementation approaches for reducing loss of life and property from natural disasters. Mitigation plans are key to breaking the cycle of disaster damage, reconstruction, and repeated damage.

Enhanced Plan: A hazard mitigation plan that includes all elements of the Standard State Mitigation Plan and demonstrates that the state has developed a comprehensive mitigation program and is capable of managing increased funding to achieve its mitigation goals. Also, the plan is integrated to the extent practicable with other state and/or regional planning initiatives and FEMA mitigation programs and initiatives.
Example of Aggregation,
Fire Management Assistance Declarations
FY 2017-2018

Standard HM Plan
$425K Declaration 1
$425K Declaration 2
$425K Declaration 3
$1.2 M
HMGP
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Enhanced HM Plan
$566K Declaration 1
$566K Declaration 2
$566K Declaration 3
$1.7 M
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HMA GUIDANCE EXCEPTIONS:

4. There is a 6-month application period from date of applicant (state, territory or federally-recognized tribe) funding notification, and extensions may be requested.
COST SHARE: 25% NON FEDERAL

- Cash

- Donated Resources:
  - Cash
  - Material
  - Labor or services
Pre-calculated benefits of $5,250 per acre are available for the following post wildfire mitigation project types:

• Soil stabilization
• Flood diversion
• Reforestation projects
RESOURCES

• HMGP Post Fire:

• HMA Guidance:
  https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279

• Cost Share Guide:
  https://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1463766664964-4e6dd22652cb7c8a6162904f3b1b2022/FinalHMACostShareGuide508.pdf
RESOURCES

• State Hazard Mitigation Officers
  https://www.fema.gov/state-hazard-mitigation-officers

• Silver Jackets
  http://silverjackets.nfrmp.us/

• Erosion Threat Assessment Reduction Team
QUESTIONS?

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