



Mitigate FL Meeting Minutes



Facilitator: Kristin Lentz
Purpose: Mitigate FL – 1st Quarter Meeting
Meeting Location: Webinar/Conference Call Only
Date and Time: March 8, 2022 at 1:00 PM

Agenda Item: Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Update

Discussion:

- DR-4399 Hurricane Michael
 - o Total Approved: \$64,866,004.20 (15.06%)
- DR-4337 Hurricane Irma
 - o Total Approved: \$272,781,936.90 (48.27%)
- FM-5178 2017 Wildfires
 - o Total Approved: \$218,040.75 (12.83%)
- DR-4283 Hurricane Matthew
 - o Total Approved: \$25,703,467.49 (52.64%)
- FM-5307 2020 Wildfires
 - o Total Approved: \$196,813.50 (10.42%)
- DR-4486 Hurricane Dorian
 - o Total Approved: \$7,095,703.86 (28.58%)
- DR-4564 Hurricane Sally
 - o 12-Month Lock-in: \$ 39,220,777.00
 - o Total Applications Received: 84 (total of \$137,636,807.00 Fed Share required)
- DR-4486 COVID-19 Pandemic
 - o 12-Month Lock-In: \$135,707,796.00
 - o Total Applications Received: 220 (total of \$237,741,869.79 Fed Share required)
 - o FDEM Portal
 - Continuing to refine the system for HMGP application submission and grant management
 - Working through bugs and lessons learned from DR-4486 to make the system more user-friendly and reduce redundancy
- Upcoming HMGP Post-Fire for 2022 wildfires – information will be released as available
- FEPA Annual Meeting – DEM staff presented Mitigation Workshops
 - o HMGP Application Training, by Jared Jaworski

- o Successfully Managing your Mitigation Project from Start to Finish, by Laura Dhuwe, Holly Swift, Claudia Purser, Kayla Born, and Laura Nelson (St. Johns County)
- HMGP Contacts: Katheen Marshall; Kathleen.Marshall@em.myflorida.com and Jared Jaworski; Jared.Jaworski@em.myflorida.com

Agenda Item: Non-Disaster Update

Discussion:

- FMA FY 2020: 9 were selected for further review, 1 submitted for Reconsideration
- BRIC FY 2020: 4 were selected for further review, 2 appeals pending with FEMA
 - o FEMA Award Notifications are still pending and will be advertised once received
- FMA/BRIC FY 2021
 - o FY 2021 Subapplications Submitted to FEMA:
 - FMA: 30
 - BRIC: 16
 - o Subapplicants will be notified of updates when FEMA releases the determinations, typically mid to late summer
- Non-Disaster Grants Contact: Susan Harris-Council; Susan.Harris-Council@em.myflorida.com

Agenda Item: Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program (HLMP) Update

Discussion:

- HLMP – FY 2021
 - o 13 Total Projects
 - o Agreement end dates were extended to December 31, 2021
- HLMP FY 2022
 - o 10 Active Projects
- 215.559, F.S. Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program
 - o Will be renewed on July 1, 2022
- Legislative Updates
 - o HLMP Bill passed House on 3/2/22 and Senate on 3/4/22
 - o Mobile Home Tie-Down Program
 - Moving from Tallahassee Community College to Gulf Coast State College
 - o HLMP Request for Proposal date will be announced pending the bill being signed into law
- HLMP Contact: Grant Goodwin, Program Manager; Grant.Goodwin@em.myflorida.com

Agenda Item: Floodplain Management Update

Discussion:

- SCORE-CAVs
 - o CAVs with 20 communities in Nassau, Clay, Duval, and St. Johns last month
 - o Field assessments in Bradford, Alachua, Putnam, and Flagler this month

- o Working with local communities on ordinance amendments
 - 2022 CRS communities
 - 19 communities with upcoming Letter of Final Determination (LFD) dates, 9 postponed
 - 150 LFDs anticipated throughout 2022
- Ongoing updates to website and guidance documents
- SFMO is sending correspondence to all 2022 CRS Cycle Visit communities to review regulations and determine if amendments are needed to meet the new CRS Class 8 Pre-Requisite
- December 2021 – March 2021
 - o 100+ General Technical Assistance (GTA) requests
 - o 50 ordinances approved for adoption by local communities
- State Floodplain Management Officer and Floodplain Management Unit Manager: Conn Cole; Conn.Cole@em.myflorida.com

Agenda Item: Insurance Sector Update

Discussion:

- FEMA National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)
 - o Authorized thru March 11, 2022 via Continuing Resolution (this will almost certainly be extended)
 - o Risk Rating 2.0 goes into effect for policies that are being renewed starting April 1, 2022
- Private Market Flood Insurance
 - o The same financial market influences that are impacting homeowner's, renter's, and commercial property insurance are also impacting private market flood insurance
 - o These influences have led insurers to review their overall risk and exposure to losses in Florida, which may result in companies not renewing policies and/or not accepting new insurance applications
- FDEM Insurance Specialist Contact: Barbara Cartwright; Barbara.Cartwright@em.myflorida.com

Agenda Item: Watershed Planning Initiative

Discussion:

- Phase 2 Watershed Planning Initiative Launch Webinar held 9/22/2021
 - o Recording available on website (link below)
- Phase 2 Proposal Guide video coming soon
 - o This will provide technical details about the proposal process
- Keep an eye out for this announcement in March!
- General timeline:
 - o Video and proposal forms will be published and Proposal Submission period opens
 - o Proposal Period: 60 days

- o Once closed, DEM will review proposals and contact the POC to notify of approval, denial, or if more information is needed
 - o Contracting – draft SOW and Attachment As for consistency among projects and plans
- Website:
 - o <https://www.floridadisaster.org/dem/mitigation/watershed-planning-initiative/>

Agenda Item: Silver Jackets

Discussion:

- Immokalee Regional Water Plan
 - o Project has brought stakeholders together to develop a comprehensive water resource plan and the SJ team is currently developing solutions
- Florida Coastal Resilience Workshop
 - o Will share information and tools for coastal communities to increase their coastal resilience
 - o Workshop dates
 - April 19-21, 2022 (Gulf Coast)
 - May 24-26, 2022 (Atlantic Coast)
 - June 7, 2022 (Technical Workshop)
 - o Training credits will be available for Certified Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) and Certified Planners (AICP)
- FY 2023 Proposals
 - o H&H study for Astor community portion of St. Johns River
 - o Project to highlight Nature-Based Features for Flood Risk Management, with a focus on Florida best practices for engineering with nature
 - o Project to assist DEP's Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection with standardization of statewide Vulnerability Assessments
- Next Quarterly Meeting: March 9, 2022 at 2:30 pm
- Silver Jackets FDEM contact: Kristin Lentz; Kristin.Lentz@em.myflorida.com or Jennifer John; Jennifer.H.John@usace.army.mil

Agenda Item: Mitigation Planning Updates

Discussion:

- LMS Plan Reviews
 - o LMS plans approved: 64
 - o 2 recently approved, 1 in revisions
- Please encourage your jurisdictions to adopt ASAP when your plan is approved
- Please send those resolutions to us ASAP so we can get them to FEMA
- This impacts current and future grant eligibility and will cause time delays with your grants!
 - o Missing resolutions from ~12 counties right now
- SHMP Update Phase 2 – building out website and Planning Team

Agenda Item: Upcoming Trainings

Discussion:

- G-318: 4 trainings scheduled this year, in Leon, Manatee, Holmes, and St. Lucie
- G-393: 4 trainings scheduled this year, in Leon, Jackson, Alachua, Orange
- SERT Trac: <https://trac.floridadisaster.org/TRAC/trainingcalendar.aspx>

Announcements:

- Keep an eye out for the Bulletin!
- Meeting notes and materials will be available [here](#)

Next Meeting: June 14, 2022 at 1:00 PM EST via Webinar

Questions: None

Attendees: (175)

Aida Washburn	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Amanda Chin	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Amy Miller	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Annette Holmes	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Austin Beeghly	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Cheyenne Young	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Claudia Purser	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Conn Cole	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Dana McGeehan	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Debbie Bass	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Debbie Williams	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Ed Warren	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Eliwallis Cortes	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Eva Colona	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Evan Jenkins	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Gillian Smith	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Grant Goodwin	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Holly Swift	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Jamela Reeves	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Jared Jaworski	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Jenna Hayth	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Jonathan Blocker	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Kailyn Quirk	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Karla Brown	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Kayla Born	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Kayla Weller	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Kristin Lentz	Florida Division of Emergency Management

Laura Dhuwe	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Logan Patten	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Luz Bossanyi	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Marc Purvis	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Margarita Hernandez	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Michael Spagnolo	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Miguel Betancur	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Mindy Dowling	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Mindy Yang	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Naomi Iglesias	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Nicole Giordano	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Pam Bergstrom	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Renee Singh	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Rod Pakzadian	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Ron Baker	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Shannon Hagan	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Susan Harris-Council	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Suzi Boydston	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Teresa Sanders	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Zachary Bell	Florida Division of Emergency Management
Brian Kenyon	Agency for Health Care Administration
Dr. Wesley Brooks	Executive Office of the Governor
Matt Howard	Florida Department of Children and Families
Jeff Bryan	Florida Department of Corrections
Todd Sharpe	Florida Department of Corrections
Melissa Corbett	Florida Department of Economic Opportunity
Paul Wotherspoon	Florida Department of Economic Opportunity
Kelly Vernon	Florida Department of Education
Neila Wohlgemuth	Florida Department of Education
Peter Newman	Florida Department of Education
Joseph Bauer	Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Tracy Woods	Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Patrick Gardner	Florida Department of Revenue
Alissa Lotane	Florida Department of State
Kelly Chase	Florida Department of State
Brian Richardson	Florida Department of Transportation
Jennifer Carver	Florida Department of Transportation
Jennifer Green	Florida Department of Transportation
Mary Jane Hayden	Florida Department of Transportation
Loren Lowers	Florida Lottery
Virginia Christy	Florida Office of Insurance Regulation
Darryl Boudreau	Northwest Florida Water Management District
Jerrick Sacquibal	Northwest Florida Water Management District
Samuel Mwenda	Northwest Florida Water Management District

David Colangelo	South Florida Water Management District
Richard Fimbel	South Florida Water Management District
Michelle Leonard	Southwest Florida Water Management District
Terese Power	Southwest Florida Water Management District
Tim Fallon	Southwest Florida Water Management District
Dave Dickens	St. Johns River Water Management District
Leroy Marshall	Suwannee River Water Management District
Dalton Herding	Alachua County
Gail Mowry	Alachua County (City of Gainesville)
John Blanchard	Baker County
Carl Fowler	Broward County
Romeo Lavarias	Broward County (City of Miramar)
Amanda Morrison	Citrus County
Michael Ladd	Clay County
Chris Mason	Collier County
William Lang	Collier County
Dontae Shepherd	DeSoto County
Rick Christoff	DeSoto County
Tiffany Islam	Flagler County
Jennifer Daniels	Franklin County
Marisa Shivers	Glades County
Tress Dameron	Gulf County
Louie Goodin	Hamilton County
Pam Allen	Hamilton County
Laura Calvillo	Hardee County
J Eason	Hardee County (City of Wauchula)
Brittany Brooks	Hernando County
Jim Coleman	Hernando County
Corey Amundsen	Highlands County
Angela Salter	Hillsborough County
Christina Hummel	Hillsborough County
Joe Mastandrea	Hillsborough County
Monica Martin	Hillsborough County
Troy Salisbury	Hillsborough County
Taylor Dillon	Hillsborough County (City of Tampa)
Megan Milanese	Lake County
Elly McKuen	Lee County (City of Bonita Springs)
Jeannine Fier	Leon County (City of Tallahassee)
Martin Dehaven	Leon County (City of Tallahassee)
Lisa Shuler	Liberty County
Steve Litschauer	Manatee County
Kenneth Odom	Marion County
Sonji Hawkins	Martin County
Charles Cyrille	Miami Dade County

Robin Yang	Miami Dade County
Jeff Manning	Monroe County
Tom Harding	Monroe County (City of Key Colony Beach)
Alison Higgins	Monroe County (City of Key West)
Nick Martini	Okeechobee County
John Mulhall	Orange County
Lauraleigh Avery	Orange County
Sandra Riffle	Orange County (City of Edgewood)
Alyssa Eide	Orange County (City of Maitland)
Nat Prapinpongsonone	Orange County (City of Orlando)
Keila Walker-Denis	Orange County (Greater Orlando Aviation Authority)
Penni Long	Orange County (OC Public Schools)
Bill Litton	Osceola County
Robin Hinson	Osceola County
Susan Gosselin	Osceola County
Palm Beach	Palm Beach
Bethany King	Palm Beach County
Ralph Wall	Palm Beach County (City of West Palm Beach)
Joe Borries	Pinellas County
Jerri Kaplan	Polk County
Jose De Jesus	Port of Tampa
Steffen Turnipseed	Putnam County
Lani Birchett	Santa Rosa County
Juan Lemos	Santa Rosa County (Santa Rosa Island Authority)
Ryan Murphy	Sarasota County
Kathryn Valentine	Seminole County
Danielle Koury	Seminole County (Lake Mary)
Joe Giammanco	St Johns County
Shane Ratliff	St Lucie County (City of Port St. Lucie)
Laura Nelson	St. Johns County
Gustavo Vilchez	St. Lucie County
Karen Kozac	St. Lucie County
Brett Napier	Volusia County
Kevin Ligouri	Volusia County
Michelle Metcalf	Wakulla County
Kate Wesner	American Flood Coalition - Florida Chapter
Stockton Reeves	Center for Public Safety
Beth Hollister	Cummins Cederberg
Danielle Irwin	Cummins Cederberg
Brian Walker	FCMC
Carlin Spink	FCMC
Lourdes Vargas	FCMC
Darlene Booker	Federal Emergency Management Agency
Daniel Meeroff	Florida Atlantic University

Jim McClaugherty	Florida Rural Water Association
Jason Ressler	Hagerty Consulting
Lisa King	Langton Consulting
Jodi Pearl	Memorial Healthcare System
Tyler Nolen	Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council
David Hamstra	Pegasus Engineering
Leylah Saavedra	Pegasus Engineering
Eugene Henry	Private Citizen
Caitlin Langmean	Synergy Disaster Recovery
Michael Garner	Synergy Disaster Recovery
Danny Hinson	Tetra Tech
Bryan Garey	University of Central Florida
Jennifer John	US Army Corps of Engineers
Kip Webber	US Army Corps of Engineers
Everett Williams	US Department of Military Affairs