



FACT SHEET FOR HAZARD MITIGATION DR-4025 (Hurricane Irene) & DR-4030 (Tropical Storm Lee)

How: Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended (the Stafford Act), Title 42, United States Code (U.S.C.) 5170c.

Why: The key purpose of HMGP is to ensure that the opportunity to take critical mitigation measures to reduce the risk of loss of life and property from future disasters is not lost during the reconstruction process following a disaster.

When: HMGP is available, when authorized under a Presidential major disaster declaration, in the areas of the State requested by the Governor. The amount of HMGP funding available to the Applicant is based upon the total Federal assistance to be provided by FEMA for disaster recovery under the Presidential major disaster declaration.

What: There is a cost share: FEMA 75% & a 25% non-federal State/Local share.

Who is eligible: State, County, and Municipal Governments and certain private non-profit organizations or institutions that own or operate a private non-profit facility. The HMGP grant sub-applicant/sub-grant is the municipality/county – not the resident.

What is eligible: Mitigation Projects/Hazard Mitigation Planning

- **Mitigation Projects**
- Property Acquisition and Structure Demolition
- Structure Elevation or Relocation
- Dry Floodproofing of Historic Residential Structures
- Dry Floodproofing of Non-residential Structures
- Minor Localized Flood Reduction Projects
- Structural Retrofitting of Existing Buildings
- Non-structural Retrofitting of Existing Buildings and Facilities
- Safe Room Construction Infrastructure Retrofit
- Soil Stabilization Wildfire Mitigation
- Post-disaster Code Enforcement 5% Initiative Projects
- **Hazard Mitigation Planning (counties) - All counties must have a current plan and a municipality must have participated in the development and adopted the county plan to access these funds.**

How to access: A Letter of Intent or LOI for an eligible project needs to be faxed into PEMA at 717-651-2150. Form (00-HMGP) can be found on the PEMA webpage at:

http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/programs_and_services/4547/hazard_mitigation_forms_presentations_and_other_documents/806856

The first round LOI must be into PEMA by **November 30, 2011**. If an eligible project, PEMA will send the municipality an HMGP application form that must be completed by **December 30, 2011**.

Step 1 – Talk to your municipality

Step 2 – If an Hazard Mitigation activity seems eligible, Municipality faxes in LOI

Step 3 – If PEMA deems eligible, an HMGP application is sent out to municipality

Step 4 – PEMA receives application before cut-off date, notifies county of its status

Step 5 – State Hazard Mitigation Team reviews and ranks/prioritizes

Step 6 – PEMA submits to FEMA for approval

Step 7 – FEMA notifies PEMA that it is approves – various steps beyond that

PEMA has 3 years to complete a project from its award date

Municipalities (ONLY!) may call the HazMit Hotline at the Joint Field Office 717-651-4579