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# **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations

Committees, and North Carolina General Assembly

Fiscal Research Division

FROM:

Richard Trumper, OSBM Disaster Recovery Director

SUBJECT:

Quarterly Implementation Status Report of State Emergency

Response and Disaster Relief Funds (SERDRF) Allocated pursuant

to Section 5.9.(a) of Session Law 2021-180.

Pursuant to the reporting requirements described in Section 5.9.(t) of Session Law 2021-180, we are pleased to submit the following status report for funds allocated pursuant to Session Law 2021-180 Section 5.9.(a) for the period starting July 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2022. These funds were appropriated for various disaster recovery purposes.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Richard Trumper at (984) 236-0735 or Richard.Trumper@osbm.nc.gov or the respective agency contacts noted in the report.

**Enclosure** 

# Quarterly Implementation Status Report State Emergency Response and Disaster Relief Funds (SERDRF) Allocated pursuant to Section 5.9.(a) of Session Law 2021-180 for

# Various Disaster Recovery Purposes

Reporting Period: July 1, 2022 – September 30, 2022
Prepared by the North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management
Disaster Recovery Section

# Department of Public Safety

# 1. State Match for Federal Assistance Programs

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(1)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds to state agencies from the State Emergency and Disaster Relief (SERDF) for the required state match tied to FEMA assistance for hurricanes, wildfires, and other declared disasters that occurred prior to July 1, 2021 (excluding the COVID-19 pandemic).

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$20,000,000

Expended \$0

Obligated \$0

Unobligated Balance \$20,000,000

# **Summary of Activities**

Budget structures have been established to manage/track funds and future expenditures.

### Contact

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# 2. State Match for Federal Assistance Programs

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(2)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds to state agencies from the State Emergency and Disaster Relief (SERDF) for the required state match tied to FEMA assistance that may arise from future disaster declarations.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$10,000,000

Expended \$0

Obligated \$0

Unobligated Balance \$10,000,000

# **Summary of Activities**

Budget structures have been established to manage/track funds and future expenditures.

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# 3. Disaster Relief and Mitigation Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(3)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds to state agencies, units of local government, and non-profit corporations for flood mitigation efforts.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$15,000,000

Expended \$0

Obligated \$14,969,739

Unobligated Balance \$30,261

# **Summary of Activities**

NCEM released the NOFO on February 21, 2022, with an application due date of March 31, 2022. We received a total of 36 requests for the Disaster Relief and Mitigation Fund. The total dollar amount requested was \$49 million. The review panel selected 18 applicants to be awarded. We are currently performing site visits as applicants begin their projects. The Period of Performance is 36 months, starting on the date of the recipients' award.

### Contact

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# 4. Transportation Infrastructure Resiliency Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(4)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds to state agencies, units of local government, and non-profit corporations to facilitate transportation resilience against natural disasters.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$15,000,000 Expended \$ 1,215,452 Obligated \$13,777,993

Unobligated Balance \$6,555

# **Summary of Activities**

NCEM released the NOFO on February 21, 2022, with an application due date of March 31,2022. We received a total of 24 requests for the Transportation Infrastructure Fund. The total dollar amount requested was \$23 million. The review panel selected 19 applicants to be awarded. We are currently performing site visits. The Period of Performance is 36 months, starting on the date of the recipients' award.

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# Golden L.E.A.F. (Long-Term Economic Advancement Foundation), Inc.

# 5. Small Project Mitigation and Recovery Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(5)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds to establish and administer the Small Project Mitigation and Recovery Program to disburse grants up to two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) to disburse to units of local government for flood mitigation and recovery projects. The grants may be used for planning or as matching funds when applicable.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Golden L.E.A.F. (Long-Term Economic Advancement Foundation), Inc.

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$25,000,000 Expended \$ 0 Obligated \$3,071,550 Unobligated Balance \$21,928,450

# **Summary of Activities**

Golden LEAF is accepting applications on a rolling basis. As of September 30, 2022, Golden LEAF has received 42 applications totaling more than \$6.5 million. The Golden LEAF Board awarded funding for 8 projects totaling \$1,706,550 at their June 2022 meeting and 7 projects totaling \$1,365,000 at their August 2022 meeting. The Board will review applications at the upcoming October and December meetings.

Information about the program is available on online at https://www.goldenleaf.org/mitigation/.

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# Department of Environmental Quality

# 6. Coastal Storm Mitigation Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(6)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds to local governments for coastal storm damage mitigation projects in accordance with G.S. 143-215.73M. Twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) is to be used by the Town of Oak Island as matching funds for shoreline stabilization to recover from Hurricane Isais. Two million (\$2,000,000) is to be disbursed to the North Carolina Coastal Federation, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, to provide grants for living shorelines, oyster reefs, and marsh restoration in order to protect other coastal communities that are vulnerable to storm surge and tidal flooding.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Environmental Quality

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$40,000,000.00

Expended \$6,000,000

Obligated \$16,000,000

Unobligated Balance \$18,000,000.00

### **Summary of Activities**

Per language of SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(6) \$20,000,000 million has been obligated to Town of Oak Island and \$2,000,000 has been obligated to North Carolina Coastal Federation, Inc. The agency has been executing logistical tasks to organize, finance and staff the program. A contract and a quarterly payment schedule has been created to distribute the funds to the North Carolina Coastal Federation, Inc (NCCF) and the Town of Oak Island. Two quarterly payments of \$500,000 have been made to the NCCF and one quarterly payment of \$5,000,000 has been made to the Town of Oak Island.

There has been a call for applications for the remaining \$18,000,000 in CSDM funds on May 10, 2022. This application period closed on July 8, 2022. The applications have been reviewed by a committee and project awards were determined. Award letters have been drafted to be distributed.

Currently there are no pictures to submit with the report.

# Contact

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# 7. Flood Resiliency Blueprint Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(7)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds to contract with an organization to develop a statewide Flood Resiliency Blueprint for major watersheds impacted by flooding, including, among others, the Cape Fear River and the Neuse River Basins.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Mitigation Services

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$20,000,000 Expended \$ 38,848 Obligated \$ 0 Unobligated Balance \$19,961,152

# Summary of Activities

The agency has established the logistical tasks to organize, finance and staff the program. DMS continues efforts to recruit a Blueprint project manager.

Procurement activities have included soliciting a Request for Information (RFI) to help develop a scope of work (SOW) for the Request for Proposal (RFP). DMS advertised an Invitation for Bid (IFB) and prequalified vendors. DMS will solicit prequalified vendors with an RFP. DEQ underwent an extensive SOW buildout process which included research and engaging experts from other states experiencing similar flood-related impacts. DEQ held meetings and workshops with federal, state, regional and local government, nongovernment organizations and academia flood and resiliency experts to develop the SOW to be included in the RFP. DMS is finalizing the RFP and will submit to Department of Administration, Division of Purchase and Contract for review.

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# 8. Dam Safety Emergency Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(8)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds to pay the costs associated with emergency repair or removal of dams.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Environmental Quality

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$4,000,000.00

Expended \$0

Obligated \$0

Unobligated Balance \$4,000,000.00

# **Summary of Activities**

The agency has been executing logistical tasks to organize, finance and staff the program. We have been slowed due to the late budget and certification along with the requirements for creating and filling staff positions in our EAP Program which will oversee any work that results from this emergency fund. We are nearing the completion of filling staff positions in the Dam Safety Program that will work on projects funded by this allocation. Currently, key internal and external stakeholders are being engaged to set up, administer and deploy these program resources as necessary. This included identifying eligible dams and under what emergency circumstances. As this is set up as an emergency response fund, the program has not yet had an emergency situation requiring fund expenditure to date

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# 9. Stoney Creek Pilot Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(9)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds to create one or more pilot projects addressing chronic flooding in the Stoney Creek watershed impacting businesses, roadways, and access to emergency services in Wayne County and Goldsboro.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Mitigation Services

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$3,500,000
Expended \$ 10,999
Obligated \$ 0
Unobligated Balance \$3,498,001

# **Summary of Activities**

The agency recruited members to comprise the Infrastructure Flood Mitigation Program Advisory Board (Board) and established the Natural Infrastructure Flood Mitigation Program Charter. The Board held is first meeting in May.

Procurement activities included soliciting an Invitation for Bid (IFB) to prequalify a single vendor. The IFB is currently advertised. DMS is finalizing the Request for Quote (RFQ) to solicit the prequalified vendor. The RFQ will receive input from the Board. The RFQ will be submitted to the Department of Administration, Division of Purchase and Contracts for review. The work will include stakeholder participation and a planned approach to a watershed-based solution to identify nature-based pilot projects to maximize flood resiliency.

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# 10. State Match for Federal Assistance Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(10)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds from the State Emergency and Disaster Relief (SERDF) to match federal funds allocated from the Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act (ASADRA) for the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Water Infrastructure

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$1,400,000

Expended \$0

Obligated \$1,400,000

Unobligated Balance \$0

# **Summary of Activities**

Intended Use Plan (IUP) for EPA grant application finalized as part of activities in establishing 2019 ASADRA funding and State Match provided in SL 2019-250 1.1(3).

Applications were accepted in April 2020 and funds awarded on July 8, 2020, for a first round of ASADRA funding. A second round of ASADRA funding was held last fall for eligible projects identified during the spring 2020 application round. Complete applications were due September 30, and funds were awarded February 10, 2021.

Once project funding is awarded, projects have two years to enter a construction contract pursuant to NCGS 159G-41. The program provides payments based on invoices of incurred expenses.

The Division applied for and received addition \$8,687,000 ASADRA funds made available as a result of Alaska not using all their allotment. State match for these federal funds were provided in SL 2021-180 5.9(a)(10). The additional funds allotted to North Carolina will be used for administration set asides and to provide to previously awarded recipients with documented budget shortfalls. Updated project funding abouts are provided in Funding Obligations tables in this report. All available ASADRA funds have been obligated.

The remaining ASADRA funds were awarded as part of the September 2020 funding cycle in February 2021. Projects are starting to submit engineering reports for review and approval. Terms and conditions of the ASADRA fund loan will not be established until the project has

completed both engineering review, plans and specification review, and a contract has been awarded.

The Division is in the process of applying for addition ASADRA funds made available for eligible states. If awarded those funds would likely be awarded to fully fund projects partially funded with ARPA funds.

Applicant Name	Project Name	Total Funding Requested	ASADRA Principal Forgiveness	ASADRA Loan
Rockingham County	Hogan's Creek Water Booster Pump Station Relocation and Flood Protection <sup>1</sup>	\$1,791,500		
Scott's Hill Water and Sewer District	Elevated Water Tank and Associated Improvements <sup>2</sup>	\$9,940,000	\$1,985,000	\$7,955,000
Lumberton, City of	2020 Well Replacement	\$2,316,900	\$2,316,900	
Rocky Point Topsail Water and Sewer District	RO Water Treatment Plant and Associated Improvements <sup>3</sup>	\$66,870,000	\$5,000,000	\$15,191,086
Dunn, City of	Raw Water Electrical Relocation and 24" Line Replacement	\$3,515,000	\$878,750	\$2,636,250
River Bend, Town of	Water Meter Replacement	\$602,500	\$602,500	
Washington, City of	WTP Emergency Generator	\$409,160	\$102,290	\$306,870
Surf City, Town of	Water System Resiliency Projects <sup>4</sup>	\$6,805,000	\$701,250	\$6,103,750
Johnston County	2022 AC Water Main Replacement	\$5,242,800		\$5,242,800
Reidsville, City of	Redundant Water Supply Line	\$4,654,000	\$1,000,000	\$3,654,000
Elm City, Town of	Water Filtration and Emergency Backup Generation	\$1,989,086	\$497,272	\$1,491,815
Lincoln County	St. James Water Line	\$3,070,581		\$3,070,581
TOTALs		\$107,206,527	\$13,083,962	\$45,652,152

### Other Items of Note:

- <sup>1</sup> Rockingham County is eligible for ASADRA loan. This project may be awarded additional ASADRA funds if they become available.
- <sup>2</sup> Scotts Hill Water and Sewer requested additional \$2,000,000 of funding on 2/9/2022. Additional funding approved to meet total anticipated project cost estimates.
- <sup>3</sup> Rocky Point Topsail Water and Sewer District requested additional \$23,750,000 of funding on 2/9/2022. Balance of available funds (\$191,086) to be awarded to fund project. This project may be awarded additional DWSRF ASADRA funds if they become available.
- <sup>4</sup> Surf City requested additional \$4,000,000 of funding on 2/9/2022. Additional funding approved to meet total anticipated project cost estimates.
- <sup>5</sup> Project list shows all eligible projects for DWSRF ASADRA funds. All projects are approved for funding. ASADRA funds awards will be adjusted to fully award all available DWSRF ASADRA funds as fund become available.

### Contact

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# 11. Resilient Coastal Communities Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(11)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds to be used to provide community resilience planning, design, and project implementation grants.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Coastal Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$1,150,000.00

Expended \$0

Obligated \$0

Unobligated Balance \$1,150,000.00

# Summary of Activities

The agency has hired the two time-limited employees provided to administer these funds. Currently, 20 communities are utilizing RCCP funding to conduct engineering and design work for projects they identified and prioritized through the program, which will make them ready for permitting and construction.

DCM has also refined the RCCP Planning Handbook to incorporate lessons learned from the first round of planning grants. The changes will improve and standardize outcomes for hazard vulnerability assessments and resilience project identifications across participating communities. Using a portion of this funding, DCM has prepared and will be releasing a Request for Applications for the next round of projects by October 31<sup>st</sup>.

### Contact

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# 12. Coastal Resiliency Planners

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(12)

The purpose of this allocation is to provide funds to the Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Coastal Management, to create two time-limited, full-time positions for two years to staff the Resilient Coastal Communities Program

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Coastal Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$300,000 Expended \$14,927 Obligated \$0 Unobligated Balance \$285,073

# **Summary of Activities**

The agency has filled one of the time-limited positions and that individual started work on June  $27^{th}$ . Interviews for the second position have been completed and the employee will start on November  $7^{th}$ .

# Contact

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# Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

# 13. Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(13)

The purpose of this program is to assist an eligible grantee in protecting and restoring the integrity of drainage infrastructure through routine maintenance to existing streams and drainage ways by removing blockages caused by accumulated debris or sediment, stabilization and restoration of streams and streambanks, and for rehabilitation or improvement of small watershed structural projects constructed pursuant to the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act of 1954, as amended.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Soil and Water Conservation Commission

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$38,000,000.00

Expended \$18,133.11

Obligated \$36,100,062.85

Unobligated Balance \$1,881,804.04

### **Summary of Activities**

Following the Soil and Water Conservation Commission awarding grants in Q2, the Division's work in Q3, 2022 focused on executing contracts and working with each of the 111 grant recipients to allow them to begin work on the planned activities. 109 grants include funds for stream debris removal projects, and 4 grants include funds for the rehabilitation or improvement of small watershed structural projects. Grant amounts ranged from \$7,000 to \$2,000,000, with an average award amount of \$325,225.19. \$33,038,860 was awarded to government recipients and \$3,061,136 was awarded to non-government recipients. A breakdown of grantee recipients is as follows:

Recipient Type	Number of Recipients		
Soil & Water Conservation Districts	63		
Municipalities	20		
County Government	15		
Drainage Districts & Sewer Authorities	7		
Non-government Entities	6		

Following the notification of award amounts, grant recipients revised the Scopes of Work for their projects to represent a workload that could be accomplished with the awarded amount. Between June 20, 2022, and August 22, 2022, contracts were sent to all 111 StRAP grant recipients, who were given 60 days to sign and return each contract. By the end of Q3, 2022, the Division has received 98 signed contracts from Grantees. 96 of these contracts have been fully executed and returned to the grantee. 11 contracts are still awaiting signatures from the grantee, with the final contracts due on October 21, 2022.

Two contracts were cancelled at the request of the grant recipients. These cancelled contracts were for a total of \$287,417. Primary cited reasons for cancellation included difficulty in acquiring land access and the lack of cooperation of landowners, contractors, and the Department of Transportation needed to complete the stream debris removal projects. The Commission will allocate these cancelled funds to other applicants in the Spring of 2023.

Field work for one grant, worth \$357,052, was completed in Q3, 2022. A single request for payment for this project was submitted upon the inspection of field work by Division staff and will be paid in Q4.

In Q3 2022, the Division worked to develop guidance for StRAP grantees on issues related to permitting, debris removal and processing, and carrying out stream debris removal work. A set of program guidance documents was written and provided to grant recipients. The Division is now working to refine this guidance and has begun a series of meetings with the North Carolina Emergency Management office and local floodplain administrators to clarify and refine the permitting process needed for stream debris removal projects.

### Contact

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# 14. Community Conservation Assistance Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(14)

The purpose of this program is to provide cost-sharing funding through the Community Conservation Assistance Program (CCAP) for the installation of stormwater best management practices by nonagricultural landowners and land users.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$1,500,000.00
Expended \$57,000.00
Obligated \$1,228,003.00
Unobligated Balance \$214,997.00

# Summary of Activities

Soil and Water Conservation Districts are working on Community Conservation Assistance Program best management practice design and installation.

- 43 projects are currently under contract in the planning and design process totaling \$1,150,804 in 29 soil and water conservation districts across the state.
- Three projects were installed during this quarter totaling \$57,000 in three soil and water conservation districts.
- One contract was cancelled during this quarter totaling \$11,000 in one soil and water conservation districts.
- There is an <u>open application cycle</u> for CCAP projects to contract available funding. Applications will be accepted until November 16, 2022. Funding awards will be approved at the January 8, 2023 Soil and Water Conservation Commission meeting.
- Division staff are providing continuous follow-up to support conservation practice installation and expedite engineering and design services needed.

# Contact

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# Department of Natural and Cultural Resources

# 15. Floodplain Grants Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(15)

The purpose of this program is to provide grants to counties, municipalities, nonprofit corporations, and other state agencies for projects addressing the protection and restoration of floodplains and wetlands for the purpose of storing water, reducing flooding, improving water quality, providing wildlife and aquatic habitat, and providing recreational opportunities.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Natural and Cultural Resources

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$15,000,000

Expended \$0

Obligated \$0

Unobligated Balance \$15,000,000

# **Summary of Activities**

The North Carolina Land and Water Fund (NCLWF) is required to "develop criteria to score projects based on the ability of a project to reduce flood risks" per SL 2021-180. The NCLWF Board approved a grant process and rating criteria on May 16 and phase one application forms have been released and are due on July 31.

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# Wildlife Resources Commission

# 16. Abandoned and Derelict Vessels Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(16)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds for the removal of the remaining abandoned and derelict vessels identified following natural disasters since 2018.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Wildlife Resources Commission

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$1,500,000 Expended \$ 235,350 Obligated \$ 507,200

Unobligated Balance \$757,450

# **Summary of Activities**

Abandoned vessels have been identified and the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission is working to complete the notification process for these vessels and move these projects into removal contracts.

### Contact

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# 17. Lake Rim Hatchery Project

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(17)

The purpose of this project is to provide funds for the Lake Rim sediment and stream bank hardening project.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Wildlife Resources Commission

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$500,000

Expended \$0

Obligated \$74,610

Unobligated Balance \$425,390

# **Summary of Activities**

Wildlife Resources has contracted with Kris Bass Engineering to perform site evaluation and prepare design documents for the hardened stream bank channel. Survey and data collection is currently underway. Design team provided the below project schedule:

Design Task	Task Duration	<b>Target Completion Date</b>	
Survey Review/Monitoring	3 weeks	Mid October 2022	
Data Analysis			
30% Design Plans	2 weeks	Late October 2022	
60% Design Plans	1 month	Late November 2022	
90% Design Plans	1 month	Late December 2022	
100% Design Plans	1 month	Mid January 2023	
Permitting	2-2.5 months	Late March 2023	
Construction	2-3 weeks	Late April 2023	
Bidding/Contract Execution			
Bones Creek Restoration	1-2 months	June 2023	
Construction Oversight			

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# Housing Finance Agency

# 18. Robeson County Multifamily Project

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(18)

The purpose of this project is to provide funds for a multifamily affordable housing project in Robeson County, which must meet elevation requirements for construction in a floodplain.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Housing Finance Agency

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$10,000,000

Expended \$0

Obligated \$0

Unobligated Balance \$10,000,000

# **Summary of Activities**

The agency has been executing logistical tasks to organize, finance and staff the program. Key internal and external stakeholders are being engaged to set up, administer and deploy these program resources.

### Contact

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# Office of State Budget and Management

# 19. Insurance Underwriting Association Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(19)

The purpose of this program is to provide a grant to the North Carolina Insurance Underwriting Association for resilient roof replacement grants.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Office of State Budget and Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$7,000,000

Expended \$0

Obligated \$0

Unobligated Balance \$7,000,000

# **Summary of Activities**

The agency has been executing logistical tasks to organize, finance and staff the program. Key internal and external stakeholders are being engaged to set up, administer and deploy these program resources. Application period for NCIUA ends 11/30/2022.

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# 20. Local Government Assistance Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(20)

The purpose of this program is to provide grants to the North Carolina Association of Regional Councils of Governments to provide technical assistance with local recovery funds.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Office of State Budget and Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$6,000,000

Expended \$0

Obligated \$0

Unobligated Balance \$6,000,000

# **Summary of Activities**

An agreement was executed between the Office of State Budget and Management and the North Carolina Association of Regional Councils of Government on May 12, 2022. The agreement authorizes the North Carolina Association of Regional Councils of Government to collaborate with its sixteen (16) member regional councils of government to build capacity to effectively recover from disasters. The capacity building activities include awarding grants to:

- Implement and coordinate FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plans (HMP) within the region
- Conduct a regional FEMA Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) analysis of threats, hazards, and core capabilities
- Prepare and scope a FEMA annual competitive grant program applications
- Provide support for other National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF), activities that local government leaders should pursue pre- and post-disaster as they lead long-term disaster recovery
- Support the development of innovative regional disaster recovery and mitigation measures
  that may serve as opportunities for current and future disaster recovery fund and federal
  and state grant options
- Train specific to needs of local governments in the region, which are directly related to the administration of local disaster recovery funds
- Hire contractors or time-limited staff who are experienced in disaster grants management and/or FEMA Public Assistance grant management and related disaster recovery tasks

North Carolina Association of Regional Councils of Government has successfully executed subgrant agreements with Mid-East Commission, Piedmont-Triad Regional Council and Albemarle Commission Council of Governments to fund and/or reimburse these COGs for capacity building

activities described in the scope of work. NC. North Carolina Association of Regional Councils of Government reports it will begin requesting funds in the near future.

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# 21. Habitat for Humanity of North Carolina, Inc. Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(21)

The purpose of this program is to provide a grant to the Habitat for Humanity of North Carolina, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, as a grant for pilot program to build and repair homes for families to move out of flood-prone areas.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Office of State Budget and Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$2,000,000 Expended \$ 225,765 Obligated \$1,774,235

Unobligated Balance \$0

# **Summary of Activities**

An agreement was executed between the Office of State Budget and Management and the Habitat for Humanity of North Carolina, Inc. on December 10, 2021. The agreement authorizes the Habitat for Humanity of North Carolina, Inc. to award funding to one to six affiliate local Habitat for Humanity organizations for land acquisition, site development, infrastructure, housing repair, and new home construction costs. The agreement requires the local Habitat for Humanity organizations to document that the local county or municipal jurisdiction where the funds are to be utilize is actively participating or has participated in a flood buyout, acquisition or flood mitigation program.

Having awarded subgrants, three local Habitat for Humanity local affiliates have begun activities, including -purchase of six properties and identifying homeowners who are currently participating in construction in Wayne County. Habitat For Humanity also reports the purchase of two parcels in Pender County which will ultimately yield three homesites. Two homeowners have been identified, with the next phase being construction of two three-bedroom, two-bathroom homes beginning in October 2022.

In New Hanover County, expended funds have been used for the purposes of mobilization, engineering and surveying. Activities include the submission of water and sewer plans, tree mitigation and the clearing of related debris, while initial appropriate erosion control measures have also been taken at two sites. Additionally, water and sewer distribution materials have been purchased during this period. These undertakings and related expenses

are in addition to the initial up-front payment, which is being used to cover project administrative costs.

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# 22. Wayne American Legion Project

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(22)

The purpose of this project is to provide a directed grant to Wayne American Legion Auxiliary Unit #011, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, to repair damage from Hurricanes Florence and Matthew.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Office of State Budget and Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$350,000 Expended \$35,000 Obligated \$315,000 Unobligated Balance \$0

# **Summary of Activities**

An agreement was executed between the Office of State Budget and Management and the Habitat for Humanity of North Carolina, Inc. on February 23, 2022. The agreement authorizes the Wayne American Legion Auxiliary Unit #011 to procure a licensed engineer or design firm to assess the damage and unmet needs to restore and repair the damage to its facilities. The rest of the funding shall be allocated to pay a licensed contractor to complete the repairs. OSBM-DR is currently reviewing proposed projects with grantee.

Wayne American Legion Auxiliary Unit #011 has successfully retained engineering services to determine damages to the facilities and grounds. Assessment of damages and determination of best courses of action continue following the engineer's work; Legion leadership will be working with local vendors and contractors to receive bids for the necessary repairs.

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# North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency

# 23. Stoney Creek Acquisitions Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(23)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds for the acquisition of vulnerable property in the Stoney Creek watershed.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Public Safety, North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$5,000,000

Expended \$0

Obligated \$0

Unobligated Balance \$5,000,000

# **Summary of Activities**

The agency has been executing logistical tasks to organize, finance and staff the program. Key internal and external stakeholders are being engaged to set up, administer and deploy these program resources.

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# Department of Public Safety

# 24. Railroad Floodgate Project

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(24)

The purpose of this program is to provide funds for the CSX Floodgate project in Robeson County as referenced in the May 1, 2018, Lumber Basin Flood Analysis and Mitigation Strategy report.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$5,000,000

Expended \$0

Obligated \$0

Unobligated Balance \$5,000,000

# **Summary of Activities**

The agency has been executing logistical tasks to implement this directed grant.

### Contact

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# Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

# 25. Avery County Soil and Conservation District Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(25)

The purpose of this program is to provide funding for the Avery County Soil and Conservation District to address storm damage.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$4,000,000.00 Expended \$3,000,000.00 Obligated \$1,000,000.00

Unobligated Balance \$0

# Summary of Activities

The contract with Avery County was fully executed on February 18,2022. Avery County has also received their first payment of \$1,000,000. They are beginning to get project plans firmed and coordinated with local partners that are involved in the overall project.

A second payment to Avery County in the amount of \$1,000,000 was made May 2022. Avery SWCD signed a contract with Resource Institute to provide coordination and project management. Resource Institute has signed a contract with Brushy Fork Environmental for design, permitting, layout, and construction oversite.

A third payment to Avery County in the amount of \$1,000,000 was made in August 2022. The design firm has completed design on two of the projects and the other projects are in the design process. Once the designs are completed, the permit process can begin. Permitting from FEMA may be an issue; however, since there is time provided for project completion, Avery doesn't feel this will be too great of an impact on the project.

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# 26. Swain County Soil and Conservation District Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(26)

The purpose of this program is to provide funding for the Swain County Soil and Conservation District to address storm damage.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$3,000,000.00 Expended \$2,250,000.00 Obligated \$750,000.00

Unobligated Balance \$0

# **Summary of Activities**

The contract with Swain County was fully executed on February 15,2022. Swain County has also received their first payment of \$750,000. They are beginning to get project plans firmed and coordinated with local partners that are involved in the overall project.

A second payment of \$750,000 was made to Swain County in May 2022. Jennings Environmental PLLC has been chosen to provide design services. Currently, they are preparing to do survey and gather preliminary data to begin the design work. Within the next few months partners and respective attorneys are working diligently to get all agreements in place before any funding is expended.

Here are photos of the area before the work is started:







A third payment of \$750,000 was made to Swain County in August 2022. Jennings Environmental PLLC out of Asheville, NC has been chosen to work on the project. The contractors are preparing to get surveying and other preliminary data gathered for the design. EBCI has been working with the land holders that will be affected along the project area. Over the next few months partners and respective attorneys have completed all agreements. Most agreements are approved and in place, one is still pending requiring Tribal Council approval, which in anticipated to be done by the next update. Photo is below the dam, looking downstream of the main Raven Fork channel. Failed gabion baskets and other previous streambank stabilization materials line the bottom of the streambed.



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# Department of Transportation

# **27.Town of Princeton Project**

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(27)

The purpose of this project is to provide funding for drainage pipe replacement at Princeton High School.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Transportation

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$750,000 Expended \$42,452 Obligated \$332,323 Unobligated Balance \$750,000

# **Summary of Activities**

Construction completed on 8-24-2022. Currently awaiting permanent vegetation establishment and final estimate.

### Contact

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# 28. Moore County Program

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(28)

The purpose of this program is to provide funding to address new waterflow issues from roadwork upstream from the Town of Aberdeen and to repair the dam in front of Bethesda Presbyterian Church.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Transportation

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$50,000 Expended \$50,000 Obligated \$0

Unobligated Balance \$0

# **Summary of Activities**

These were pass-through funds to the Town of Aberdeen and total funds were disbursed to the town on May 2, 2022. Per the terms of the municipal agreement: *Twelve months after the funds are transferred to the Town, the Town shall provide information to the Department documenting how the funds were spent. If the funds are not fully expended at that time, the Town shall provide information on how the remainder will be spent and the timeline for spending the remaining funds.* 

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# 29. Rattlesnake Branch Project

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(29)

The purpose of this project is to provide funding for the Rattlesnake Branch project in Duplin County.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Transportation, Division of Highways

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$27,500

Expended N/A

Obligated N/A

Unobligated Balance N/A

# **Summary of Activities**

The project was eliminated in technical corrections bill SL 2021-189 sect. 7.2(a).

### Contact

N/A

# Department of Public Safety

# 30. Grants in Aid

SL 2021-180 Section 5.9 (a)(30)

The purpose of this program is to provide directed grants appropriated by the NC General Assembly to the specific units of local governments outlined in the legislation for varied projects and purposes.

# Responsible Department and Agency

Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management

# **Funding Allocation Update**

Appropriated \$32,342,000 Expended \$27,392,000 Obligated \$4,950,000 Unobligated Balance \$0

# **Summary of Activities**

The agency has been executing logistical tasks to implement these directed grants.

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