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DR-4734 Hurricane Idalia HMGP Match Program

In accordance with the 2024 General Appropriations Act, the Florida Legislature has appropriated \$33,000,000 in state funds for the full amount of the required match of local governments within fiscally constrained counties for Hazard Mitigation Assistance grants related to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) disaster declaration for Hurricane Idalia to offset the costs that such local governments would otherwise be required to provide pursuant to s. 252.37(6), Florida Statutes.

Eligible subapplicants within a fiscally constrained county may apply for the non-federal match for their DR-4734 Hurricane Idalia Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) project(s). If the HMGP project is approved, the subrecipient will enter into an agreement for the non-federal share match funding.

The Florida Division of Emergency Management (Division) will administer the funds on a first come first served basis until the funding is used. If funding remains, the Division may reallocate the additional funds to account for project cost increases.

Application Period

The application period will open in the Division's Emergency Management Enterprise Solution (DEMES) on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, at 8 a.m. and will close on June 7, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. (EDT). This funding is competitive and limited, so the earlier an application is submitted once the portal is open, the better the chances of award. No applications will be accepted after the deadline.

May 22, 2024 to June 7, 2024

Eligible Subapplicants

Eligible subapplicants for the FEMA HMGP are local communities and certain private non-profits. Any eligible subapplicant within a fiscally constrained county may apply for the non-federal share (match) portion of their project cost.



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Per 218.67(1) the Fiscally Constrained Counties are:

- Baker
- Bradford
- Calhoun
- Columbia
- DeSoto
- Dixie
- Franklin
- Gadsden
- Gilchrist
- Glades
- Gulf
- Hamilton
- Hardee
- Hendry
- Highlands
- Holmes
- Jackson
- Jefferson
- Lafayette
- Levy
- Liberty
- Madison
- Okeechobee
- Putnam
- Suwannee
- Taylor
- Union
- Wakulla
- Washington

How to Apply

Step 1: Match Application

The Subapplicant will submit a Match Application via the Division's Emergency Management Enterprise Solution (DEMES). An *Idalia HMGP Match Application Quick Reference Guide* is available on the [HMGP website](#) to assist subapplicants with accessing the DEMES system.

Applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. The following information will be required in the Match Application:

- County
- Project Title
- Project Description
- POC Name and Contact Information
- Estimated Request Amount (for the non-federal match)

Once the Match Application is submitted in DEMES, the subapplicant will receive a confirmation email.

Step 2: HMGP Application

The subapplicant will submit an HMGP Project Application via DEMES. This application is separate from the Match Application. Please refer to the DR-4734 Hurricane Idalia Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for more information about the HMGP Project Application. Subapplicants MUST apply for the Match funding as outlined in the Quick Reference Guide AND the HMGP project via DEMES.

Step 3: State Review

The Division's Mitigation Bureau will timestamp and catalogue the Match Applications. Once the application period for DR-4734 Hurricane Idalia HMGP closes on June 7, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. (EDT) the Bureau will verify that both the HMGP and Match Applications were received for each subapplicant and project.



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During review, the Mitigation Bureau will work with subapplicants to finalize the total project cost, federal share amount, and non-federal share amount. The Bureau will review the projects as normal. If a project is denied because of eligibility, the subapplicant will not receive the match funding. If a project is withdrawn during application review or post-award, the subapplicant will not receive the match funding. If a project is approved by FDEM and awarded by FEMA, the Bureau will draft a standard HMGP subrecipient agreement and a Match Funding Agreement and route to the point of contact listed on the application.

Subrecipient Agreements

If your HMGP application is awarded by FEMA and the Division, you will receive your standard HMGP subrecipient agreement, along with a separate subrecipient agreement for the non-federal share (match) funding.

Subrecipients will be awarded the amount of the non-federal match requirement approved at the time of the HMGP award. If a cost increase is required after a project is awarded, the subrecipient will be responsible for the additional portion of the non-federal match.

Example:

Original Total project cost: \$100,000
Original Federal Share (HMGP): \$75,000
Original Non-Federal Share (Idalia Match Program): \$25,000

Total project cost after increase: \$200,000
New Federal Share: \$150,000
Non-Federal Share (Idalia Match Program): \$25,000
Additional Non-Federal Share (Subrecipient's Responsibility): \$25,000

Payments

Payments of the match funding will be made along with the reimbursements. When a subrecipient submits a Request for Reimbursement package, they will receive up to 75 percent of costs from the HMGP funding and the approved amount of the non-federal match from the State appropriations funding. If a project had a cost increase, the subrecipient will not receive the full amount of the reimbursement request.



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FAQs

What types of projects are eligible under HMGP?

Projects must meet all HMGP eligibility criteria. Please refer to the [DR-4734 Hurricane Idalia NOFA](#) and [State HMGP website](#) for more information.

How do I apply?

All applications should be submitted in DEMES no later than June 7, 2024, 11:59 p.m. (EDT). Subapplicants eligible for the non-federal match program will need to submit an HMGP Application AND a Match Application in DEMES before the deadline. Match Applications will be timestamped and catalogued on a first come, first served basis.

How much non-federal share (match) can be received per project?

The non-federal share is limited to up to 25 percent of the total project cost. Please note, the total project cost and federal share must be endorsed by the county's Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) Work Group and prioritized on the LMS HMGP Endorsement Letter signed by the LMS Chair. If the LMS Work Group endorses less than 75 percent of the total project cost, the subrecipient will be responsible for the additional non-federal share (match).

Example:

Total project cost: \$100,000

Endorsed Federal Share (HMGP): \$60,000 (60% federal share)

Non-Federal Share (Idalia Match Program): \$25,000 (25% non-federal share)

Non-Federal Share (Subrecipient's Responsibility): \$15,000 (15% non-federal share)

Is there a limit to the amount of State appropriated match funding a county can receive?

No, the Division will administer the funds on a first come, first served basis until the funding is used.

Can I withdraw a project and what happens to the State appropriated match?

Yes, you may withdraw a project at any time. If a project is withdrawn during application review or post-award, the subapplicant will not receive the match funding. At that point, the match funds will be allocated to the next subrecipient. If a project is withdrawn after payments have been made, the Division will determine if the expenditures were allowable and completed in good faith. If the expenditures are allowable, the Subrecipient may be allowed to keep the funding. If the expenditures are determined to be unallowable or not made in good faith, the Subrecipient will be required to return the funds to the Division.

Additional questions may be directed to
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