



- **When preparing budgets**, potential subapplicants and/or property owners should assume that they will provide at least the 25% non-federal share, and any overruns;
- **Information about the HMGP** and all program requirements are available in FEMA's FY 2015 Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Unified Guidance and Addendum<sup>2</sup>.

### **State Priorities**

**The HMGP allows NYS to establish priorities** that target damaged areas and enhance its resiliency posture by promoting strategies and activities identified in the NYS Standard Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Preference will be given as follows:

- Acquisition of properties for demolition or relocation of structures that are in the 1% annual Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) on the current effective or preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM);
- Elevation of primary structures that are in the 1% annual Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) on the current effective or preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM);
- Prioritize mitigation of Severe/Repetitive Loss and substantial-damage properties, NFIP-insured properties before uninsured properties, primary residences before secondary homes, residences before income-producing properties; properties in the 1% annual flood zone before others; projects that mitigate the largest number of NFIP-insured properties.

Preference will be given to eligible planning activities that evaluate risk in counties that:

- Do not have a current, FEMA approved Hazard Mitigation Plan;
- Do not have secured grant funding in place for development of a Hazard Mitigation Plan;
- Do not have anticipated funding in place for development of a Hazard Mitigation Plan;
- Have existing plans that expire prior to the plans of other sub-applicants.

### **Ineligible Activities**

Applications will not be processed for the following activities in this grant cycle (not all-inclusive):

- Projects active under NY Rising or NYC Recovery Programs, or another FEMA grant;
- Substantially-damaged properties already repaired and not to current floodplain code;
- Elevation projects that would raise a home higher than required by local floodplain ordinance (generally the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) + 2' height), unless there is a more restrictive local ordinance or if it can be shown the structure received flooding at a higher elevation;

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<sup>2</sup> See <http://www.dhSES.ny.gov/recovery/mitigation/documents/FY-2015-HMA-Unified-Guide.pdf> and <http://www.dhSES.ny.gov/recovery/mitigation/documents/FY-2015-Addendum-HMA-Unified-Guide.pdf>

- Elevation projects that would increase habitable space, or change the footprint of the home or of appurtenances like stairs and decks;
- Projects at sites under litigation, in foreclosure, or where physical work has begun.

### **How to Apply**

**To provide more time for application development, DHSES will not be requiring you to submit a Letter of Intent as in the past. We are going right to the application stage of the process. There are three (3) application package types: Acquisition, Elevation and Planning. Choose the appropriate application package that relates to your activity and provide all the requested information in detail. Application packages must be submitted no later than 12:00 p.m., June 6, 2019. To ensure your submittal is received by the deadline, we encourage that you use a service that provides tracking and delivery receipt. Please mail three (3) complete application packages (two (2) paper and one (1) on USB or Disc) to the below address:**

**NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services  
Hazard Mitigation Section  
1220 Washington Avenue  
Building 7a, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Albany, New York 12242**

**Applications and required documents for each application can be found at [www.dhSES.ny.gov/recovery/](http://www.dhSES.ny.gov/recovery/).**

Webinars for application development will be scheduled in the near future. Please refer to our website for dates and times to register, or send an email to the address below indicating your interest in participating.

### **Questions**

Please submit any questions to: [OEM.Hazmit@dhSES.ny.gov](mailto:OEM.Hazmit@dhSES.ny.gov)

To disseminate program information to the widest possible audience, DHSES places program information on its website and asks that County Emergency Managers, Mitigation Coordinators, and other recipients of this notice forward the information to interested eligible subapplicants. For more information, please visit [www.dhSES.ny.gov/recovery/](http://www.dhSES.ny.gov/recovery/).