Protecting Lives, Protecting Property Floodplain Management, Mapping & Mitigation

Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant Program

The FMA Grant Program is a FEMA grant that is managed by the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The grant is funded through the National Flood Insurance Fund and its goal is to reduce flooding of property through mitigation, thereby, reducing flood insurance claims.

Key Dates & Times

Application Start Date: 01/06/2025

Application Deadline: Community to DNR: 03/28/2025 (close of business) **Total Amount Available** (Nationwide): \$600 million to be distributed in the following order:

- Capability and Capacity Building (C&CB) (up to \$60M available)
 - Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plans max of \$25,000 per subapplicant
 - Project Scoping up to \$900k per subapplicant
 - Used to obtain data and to prioritize, select, and develop Localized Flood Risk Reduction projects and Individual Flood Mitigation projects for future funding
 - Eligible activities include, but are not limited to, community outreach, engineering, environmental feasibility and/or benefit-cost analyses
 - Must prove that the proposed project benefits NFIP insured properties
 - Additional Capability and Capacity Building Activities up to \$300k per subapplicant
- Localized Flood Risk Reduction Projects (up to \$420M available)
 - \$50 million max federal share per subapplicant
 - Used to implement projects that reduce flood risk and benefit the National Flood Insurance Program
 - Eligible activities include, but are not limited to, localized flood control, floodwater storage and diversion, floodplain and stream restoration, stormwater management, wetland restoration/creation

- Individual Flood Mitigation Projects (up to \$120M available)
 - Includes mitigation projects such as elevation, relocation, demolition, acquisition, and mitigation reconstruction (demo/rebuild)
 - Cost share will vary based on the amount of flood claims
 - Must have a NFIP insurance policy on the structure being mitigated as of January 6, 2025

Standard cost share for most projects is 25% of total project costs. However, FEMA may require less cost share based on the Social Vulnerability Index (SV) score.

Application Process

- Eligible applicants include local governments and communities, state agencies, and federally recognized tribes.
- All applications are completed through FEMA GO <u>https://go.fema.gov</u>. Communities must register with FEMA GO to apply for FMA. Please contact for SCDNR for registration instructions.

For more information, including the NOFO, visit: https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/floods/fma-resources

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