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GOHSEP Announces Nearly \$48 Million in Louisiana Flood Mitigation Assistance Approved by FEMA

BATON ROUGE (September 14, 2022)- The Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) announced the initial award for Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) projects under the grant cycle from 12 subrecipients has been approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Flood Mitigation Assistance is a nationally competitive grant program that provides funding to states, local communities, federally recognized tribes and territories. Funds can be used for projects that reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings insured by the National Flood Insurance Program.

"This is more good news in our efforts to make Louisiana more resilient," said GOHSEP Director Casey Tingle. "GOHSEP staff has helped our local and state partners identify and submit the projects to protect from flooding, our most dangerous weather-related threat in Louisiana. Most of the entities approved for this round will use the funding for acquisition and elevation projects tied to flood protection. We are still working with FEMA to get additional project subapplications awarded."

FEMA chooses projects based on the funding priorities and cost-effectiveness of the project.

Subrecipient	Federal Award Amount
Calcasieu	\$5,989,465
Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority	\$225,000
East Baton Rouge	\$14,491,327
Jefferson	\$10,373,376
City of Walker	\$318,617
New Orleans	\$379,790
Rapides	\$2,121,496
St. Charles	\$5,350,985
St. Mary	\$174,600
St. Tammany	\$4,157,275
Tangipahoa	\$3,149,163
Terrebonne	\$1,114,715
Grand Total	\$47,845,811

FEMA requires state, local, tribal and territorial governments to develop and adopt hazard mitigation plans as a condition for receiving certain types of non-emergency disaster assistance, including funding for Hazard Mitigation Assistance projects.

Find more tips on weather and preparedness on GOHSEP's Facebook and Twitter accounts. The Get A Game Plan App is another resource available to help you and your family prepare for any type of emergency. You can download the Louisiana Emergency Preparedness Guide and find other information at www.getagameplan.org.

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