

July 21, 2017

INSURANCE INFORMATION NOTICE 2018-1

SUBJECT:

**Louisiana Severe Storms and Flooding – March 2016 and August 2016
HUD/OCD-DRU Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) –
FEMA Public Assistance Non-Federal Share Match Program**

Heavy rains inundated various parts of the State of Louisiana in the months of March and August 2016, causing significant flooding and damage to state-owned properties insured through the Office of Risk Management. Both flooding events were Federally-declared disasters, thus allowing for federal funding of eligible work of up to 75% for the March flooding and 90% for the August flooding.

The State of Louisiana, in its Action Plan Amendment for the use of the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Funds (CDBG-DR), has created the **FEMA Public Assistance Non-Federal Share Match (FEMA PA Match Program)** to provide funding to supplement the federal cost share for each disaster by reimbursing state agencies for the state match of 25% for the March Flood and 10% for the August flood.

The Office of Risk Management, as the Federal Applicant for the damaged infrastructure to state-owned property, will administer this program as specified in the Federal Declaration for the March and August Floods. Therefore, **if** your state agency was the applicant for FEMA categories A (Debris Removal) and B (Emergency Protective Measures) projects and you are interested in obtaining CDBG-Match Funding, you are required to contact the Office of Community Development – Disaster Recovery Unit (OCD-DRU).

The FEMA PA Match Program is funded through CDBG-DR assistance from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and is subject to all rules and regulations governing the use of these funds. The state is currently working with HUD and FEMA to understand how and when CDBG-DR rules and regulations will apply to FEMA PA projects when CDBG-DR funds are used as the non-federal match.

In order to ensure eligibility to receive CDBG-DR funds to pay for part or all of the non-federal match requirement of your FEMA PA funds, you must comply with the CDBG-DR requirements for all projects.

**Meetings with OCD-DRU and ORM will be held for interested State Agencies as follows:
OCD-DRU has scheduled training sessions for the following dates:**

July 21, 2017

July 26, 2017

August 9, 2017

**Please see the following registration links: July 21st and July 26th,
<https://www.road2la.org/reg/> ; August 9th, <https://femapamatchprogramtraining.eventbrite.com> .**

ORM has scheduled Question and Answer sessions for the following dates and times:

August 3, 2017	
10:00 – 11:00 AM	2:00 – 3:00 PM
August 4, 2017	
10:00 – 11:00 AM	2:00 – 3:00 PM
August 8, 2017	
10:00 – 11:00 AM	2:00 – 3:00 PM
August 15, 2017	
10:00 – 11:00 AM	2:00 – 3:00 PM
August 17, 2017	
10:00 – 11:00 AM	2:00 – 3:00 PM

Registration is required to attend the ORM Question and Answer sessions. Please email Farrel.Hebert@La.Gov for further information.