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**STATE ACCEPTING PUBLIC COMMENTS ON PLAN TO
REALLOCATE 2016 FLOODS FUNDING**

The Louisiana Office of Community Development-Disaster Recovery is accepting public comments on an action plan amendment to reallocate Community Development Block Grant funding received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for recovery from the Great Floods of 2016. The public comment period **starts June 26 and ends at 5 p.m. July 9, 2024.**

Great Floods Action Plan Amendment 25 will reallocate a total of \$41.7 million from programs reaching completion to activities that will support administration and planning of ongoing disaster recovery initiatives.

The following programs will be decreased:

- Homeowner Assistance Program decreased by \$4.5 million
- RLHP Flood Insurance Assistance Program decreased by \$674,901
- RLHP Interim Housing Assistance Program decreased by \$1.04 million
- Neighborhood Landlord Rental Program decreased by \$6.42 million
- Neighborhood Landlord Program Phase II decreased by \$2.26 million
- Neighborhood Landlord Program Phase III decreased by \$3.14 million
- Resilient and Mixed Income Piggyback Program decreased by \$1.7 million
- Rural Repair and Rehabilitation Program decreased by \$3 million
- Middle Market Loan Program decreased by \$18.3 million
- Small Business Loan Program decreased by \$634,760

The following programs will be increased:

- Watershed Modeling and Planning increased by \$21.67 million

- Administration and Planning increased by \$20 million

The plan also includes a change in the description of the Louisiana Military Department Affordable Rental Housing program to accurately describe the final project.

A copy of the plan can be viewed at doa.la.gov/doa/oed/policy-and-reports/apa/ or requested by calling 225.219.9600.

Members of the public can submit comments in several ways:

- Emailing them to oed@la.gov;
- Mailing them to Disaster Recovery Unit, P.O. Box 94095, 70804-9095, Attn: Janice Lovett; or
- Faxing them to the attention of Janice Lovett at 225.219.9605

APA 25 is considered substantial as the reallocation of funds is more than \$5 million and constitutes a change of 15 percent or greater of a program budget.

At the end of the official public comment period, the state will submit APA 25 to HUD for approval.