

Memorandum on Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program

Minimum Project Eligibility Criteria (44 CFR Ch 1 part 78.11)

The identification of a project or activity in an approved Flood Mitigation Plan does not mean it meets FMA eligibility criteria. Projects Must:

- (a) Be Cost-effective, not costing more than the anticipated value of the reduction in both direct damages and subsequent negative impacts to the area if future floods were to occur. Both costs and benefits are computed on a net present value basis.
- (b) Be in conformance with 44 CFR part 9, Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands; Executive Order 12699, Seismic Safety of Federal and Federally Assisted or Regulated New Building Construction: 44 CFR Part 10, Environmental Considerations; and any applicable environment laws and regulations.
- (c) Be technically feasible
- (d) Be in conformance with the minimum standards of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Floodplain Management Regulations at 44 CFR Part 60
- (e) Be in conformance with the Flood Mitigation Plan; the type of project being proposed must be identified in the Flood Mitigation Plan.
- (f) Be located physically in a participation NFIP community that is not on probation or must benefit such community directly by reducing future flood damages.

Eligible Types of Projects (part 78.12)

The following types of projects are eligible for funding through Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) providing they meet all other eligibility criteria.

- (a) Acquisition of insured structures and underlying real property in fee simple and easements restricting real property to open space uses. (note: sufficient funding not available at this time)
- (b) Relocation of insured structures from acquired or restricted real property to non hazard prone sites. (note: sufficient funding not available at this time)
- (c) Demolition and removal of insured structures on acquired or restricted real property: (note: sufficient funding not available at this time)
- (d) *Elevation of insured residential structures in accordance with 44 CFR 60.3 (Some funding is available for this task)***
- (e) Elevation or dry floodproofing of insured non-residential structures in accordance with 44 CFR 60.3
- (f) Other activities that bring insured structure into compliance with floodplain management requirements at 44 CFR 60.3
- (g) Minor physical flood mitigation projects that reduce localized flooding problems and do not duplicate the flood prevention activities of other Federal Agencies
- (h) Beach nourishment activities.