

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: FY 2020 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant Application

Work Session/Regular Session

DATE OF MEETING: January 26, 2021

BUDGET IMPACT: \$280,193.75

FUNDING SOURCE:

(X) Annual - \$280,193.75

(X) FEMA Funding - \$840,581.25

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COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Approval for staff to submit application for FY 2020 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) makes federal funds available through the new Building Resilient Infrastructures and Communities (BRIC) grant program to states, local communities, tribes and territories for pre-disaster mitigation activities. BRIC is a new FEMA pre-disaster hazard mitigation program that replaces the existing Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) program.

FEMA recently announced the availability funds and subsequent application period for the FY2020 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant Programs, of which BRIC is one such program. Based on this funding availability, Lowndes County has identified several locations, previously listed in our Hazard Mitigation Plan as critical infrastructure, that are a priority for installation of emergency backup generators. These locations include sixteen (16) sewer lift stations and nine (9) fire stations.

Staff obtained budgetary quotes for the installation of a generator at each location for the purposes of establishing a budget for submission with the application. A pre-application was submitted for review by GEMA staff and following their review, which included a cost benefit analysis, they have recommended this application for submission to FEMA.

OPTIONS: 1. Authorize staff to submit application for Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant program.
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Board's Pleasure

DEPARTMENT: Emergency Management

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Ashley Tye

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: