

Texas General Land Office Community Development and Revitalization Department 2015 Floods and Storms – Local Certifications

Each Applicant for Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery ("CDBG-DR") funding must complete Federal Assistance Standard Form 424 (SF-424) and certify that local certifications included in this application guide were followed in the preparation of any CDBG-DR program application. Additionally, Applicant must certify that it will continue to follow local certifications in the event that funding is awarded, and Applicant is reclassified as a Subrecipient.

Each Applicant/Subrecipient must comply with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act ("NEPA"), the Council on Environmental Quality ("CEQ") regulations, the requirements set forth in Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations ("CFR") part 58, and applicable Texas General Land Office policy directives.

Each Applicant/Subrecipient must comply with all applicable federal and state laws, including environmental, labor (Davis-Bacon Act), the procurement procedures and contract requirements found at 2 C.F.R. §200.318 – §200.327, and all civil rights requirements.

Each Applicant/Subrecipient certifies, as outlined in 81 FR 39687 (June 16, 2016), that:

- A. Participation in a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG-DR program.
- B. Compliance with restrictions on lobbying required by 24 CFR Part 87, together with disclosure forms, if required by Part 87.
- C. Compliance with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the URA, as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24, except where waivers or alternative requirements are provided for in the Federal Register notice.
- D. Compliance with Section 3 requirements of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.
- E. Execution of a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105 or 91.115, as applicable (except as provided for in notices providing waivers and alternative requirements for this grant). Also, each unit of local government receiving assistance from a state grantee must follow a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 570.486 (except as provided for in notices providing waivers and alternative requirements for this grant).
- F. Funds will be used solely for necessary expenses related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, and economic revitalization in the most impacted and distressed areas for which the President declared a major disaster in 2015 pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5121 et

seq.) related to the consequences of Hurricane Joaquin and adjacent storm systems, Hurricane Patricia, and other flood events.

- G. The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601–3619) and implementing regulations, and that it will affirmatively further fair housing.
- H. Adoption of the following policies:
  - 1) A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations, and
  - 2) A policy of enforcing applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location that is the subject of such nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.
- I. No CDBG-DR funds will be used for any activity in an area identified as flood prone for land use or hazard mitigation planning purposes by the state, local, or tribal government, or delineated as a Special Flood Hazard Area in FEMA's most current flood advisory maps, unless it also ensures that the action is designed or modified to minimize harm to or within the floodplain, in accordance with Executive Order 11988 and 24 CFR Part 55. The relevant data source for this provision are the state, local, and tribal government land use regulations and hazard mitigation plans, and the latest issued FEMA data or guidance that includes advisory data (such as Advisory Base Flood Elevations) or preliminary and final flood insurance rate maps.
- J. Compliance with lead-based paint requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, subparts A, B, J, K, and R.
- K. Compliance with all applicable laws.

Name

Title

Entity

Signature

Date