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Commissioner Dawn Buckingham Announces \$66.4 Million In Newly Approved Regional Mitigation Program Projects

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AUSTIN — Today Texas Land Commissioner Dawn Buckingham, M.D., announced the Texas General Land Office (GLO) approved \$66,402,284 in regional mitigation funds to improve, roads, water detention, drainage and sewer systems in the cities of Baytown, Brenham, Centerville, Charlotte, Corpus Christi, Houston, Jasper, Plantersville, Seadrift, Waelder, as well as Fort Bend, Grimes and Matagorda counties. Through the Regional Mitigation Program, the GLO enabled local prioritization, which will have a tremendous impact across multiple regions.

"The GLO is proud to work with Texas communities to strengthen and build infrastructure to protect and improve lives for local residents," said Commissioner Buckingham. "Many of these communities were recently impacted by Hurricane Beryl's devastating winds and flood waters. Getting and using federal grant funds can be very complicated, but the GLO works side by side with local leaders to push past the federal paperwork and get funds moving forward. Every day, the GLO works on behalf of our fellow Texans to make communities more resilient against future disasters."

Grantee	County	Project Description	
Alamo Area Council	of Government	s (AACOG)	
City of Charlotte	Atascosa	Citywide Water Improvements	
Brazos Valley Counci	l of Governme	nts (BVCOG)	69
City of Plantersville	Grimes	Street Improvements	83
City of Centerville	Leon	Road and Sewer Improvements	
Grimes County	Grimes	Road and Bridge Improvements	
City of Brenham	Washington	Road and Sewer Improvements	
Coastal Bend Counci	l of Governmer	nts (CBCOG)	35
City of Corpus Christi	Nueces	Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements	\$
South East Texas Reg	gional Planning	Commission (SETRPC)	
City of Jasper	Jasper	Road and Sewer Improvements	. ;
Golden Crescent Reg	ional Planning	Commission (GCRPC)	49
City of Seadrift	Calhoun	Water System Improvements	
City of Waelder	Gonzales	Water Facilities Improvements	
Houston-Galveston	Area Council (H	GAC)	
City of Baytown	Chambers	Road and Lift Station Improvements	
City of Houston	Harris	Sunnyside Detention Pond	\$
Fort Bend County	Fort Bend	Levee, Detention and Erosion Improvements	\$
Matagorda County	Matagorda	Water and Sewer Improvements	
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Total Approved	***		Ś

For more detailed project descriptions, please <u>click here</u>.

Texas GLO Regional Mitigation Program Council of Government Method of Distribution (COG MOD):

The Texas General Land Office (GLO) allocated \$1,166,997,000 in Community Development Block Grant Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the Regional Mitigation Program to reduce the risks and impacts of future natural disasters. Each Council of Government (COG) with HUD-designated eligible counties developed a method of distribution (MOD) for allocation of funds to units of local governments. Each COG developed their MOD through extensive public participation.

HUD defines mitigation as activities that increase resilience to disasters and reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of loss of life, injury, damage to and loss of property, and suffering and hardship, by lessening the impact of future disasters. HUD requires that at least 50% of total funds must be used for activities benefiting low- to moderate-income (LMI) persons. For more information, please visit recovery.texas.gov/mitigation.