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To: Matthew Buddie, FEMA From: Stephanie DiBetitto, CWCB Date: July 31, 2018 Subject: FY18 Community Assistance Program 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report

This report cross- references the FY18 CAP-SSSE application and the FY17 CAP-SSE Program Guidance. Work performed during the performance period (April- June 2018) is detailed below.

1. **Community Assistance Visits and Contacts:** Ongoing Community Assistance Visit (CAV) close-outs and Community Assistance Contacts (CACs) were conducted during this quarter. Communities needed assistance with their permit process, mapping, or ordinance updates.

2 CACs were conducted during this performance period with the following communities:

- Grand County
- Town of Hot Sulphur Springs
- 2. Ordinance Assistance: Ordinance assistance was provided via telephone and email on an on-going basis. As specified in the CAP agreement, ordinance assistance will be provided by the State to ensure communities comply with NFIP requirements and adopt before Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) become effective. This includes necessary ordinance revisions based upon new hazard data provided by FEMA, as well as incorporating any regulatory changes to meet minimum floodplain management criteria.

Most specifically, ordinances were reviewed or aid was provided in anticipation of upcoming DFIRMs and/or to aid in the process of adopting the State Rules for 10 communities, including:

- Town of Crook
- Sedgwick County
- Town of Breckenridge
- Town of Frisco
- Town of Minturn

- Town of Hayden
- Arapahoe County
- Summit County
- Town of Silverthorne
- Boulder County



- 3. Entering Floodplain Management Data in the Community Information Database (CIS): The CWCB is continuing to enter this information on an ongoing basis. CIS has been updated with the CAV, CACs, and GTAs performed by CWCB that are listed in this report. The ordinances that satisfacorily meet the minimum NFIP requirements and the State Floodplain Rules have been updated in CIS in the ordinance tab section.
- 4. State Model Ordinance Updates and Monitoring of State Regulatory Environment: Coordination with communities and other State agencies is ongoing to implement the requirements of the State Rules and Regulations for Floodplains in Colorado.
- 5. **Outreach, Workshops and Other Training:** CWCB staff attended conferences and presented training workshops this quarter. Conferences attended and trainings presented include:
  - Floodplain Management 101 Southeast Metro Stormwater Authority in Centennial, April 26.
  - Floodplain Management Workshop focused on higher standards, mitigation and legal aspects of the NFIP - Grand Junction, May 15 and Greeley, May 17.
  - ASFPM Annual Confernce Phoenix, AZ, June 17-20
- 6. General Technical Assistance: Regulatory, administrative, mapping and technical assistance was provided to Colorado's NFIP communities on an asneeded basis. General technical assistance contacts (GTAs) were focused on providing assistance to communities, including but not limited to communities working through post-disaster permitting and recovery, as well as ordinance updates. During this quarter, 43 GTA contacts were made by the State and the deails of those contacts have been input in CIS.
- 7. Enrollment of Communities: Assistance was provided to aid communities in joining the NFIP by providing technical assistance to ensure the community meets the minimum eligibilitiy requirements for participation.
- 8. Community Rating System Support: The State continues to work towards improving Colorado's Uniform Minimum Credits. The CWCB has adopted new Rules and Regulations to strengthen floodplain programs statewide in addition to working on other activities, such as education and outreach that could earn statewide CRS points. The State has created a website, templates, and outreach for communities to help with joining CRS and documenting creditable activities.
- 9. Mapping Coordination Assistance: Participate in upcoming scoping meetings and final meetings and assist with ordinance updates on an ongoing basis. The CWCB organized and attended meetings for community officials and the public related to floodplain mapping activities statewide. A flood risk review/public



meeting was held in Boulder County on April 12, in Estes Park on May 30, and in Weld County on June 12 for the Colorado Hazard Mapping Program. A public meeting was held on May 11 for Weld County for the Poudre River Risk MAP study.

- 10. Coordination with Other State Agencies: CWCB staff continues to provide NFIP and floodplain management guidance to other state agencies and is involved with the following efforts:
  - The CWCB is working to update the Colorado Flood Mitigation Plan, which was last updated in 2013. The Plan will reassess the State's flood risk and mitigation strategies. The Flood Mitigation Plan will be incorporated into Colorado's Enhanced State Hazard Mitigation Plan as an appendix. Multiple state agencies are included in the plan preparation process and it will ultimately be adopted by the Governor by its affiliation with the Enhanced State Hazard Mitigation Plan. The plan kick-off was held with stakeholders on April 2 and a second stakeholder meeting was held on May 2. CWCB staff intends to bring the Plan to the CWCB Board at the September Board meeting for adoption.
  - Working with the Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM) to align the NFIP with mitigation planning and participating in Enhanced State Hazard Mitigatin Plan meetings.
  - Participating in meetings of the Flood Technical Assistance Parternship.
  - Coordinating with the Division of Dam Safety to carry out the ranking of high hazard dams.
  - Ongoing work with CDOT to complete post-flood hydrology reports and to assist with permitting for road reconstruction projects.
  - Involved in the state resilience planning effort in several different sectors; Staff has helped identify ways to make the state more resilient to future events, including evaluating erosion hazard potential. The fluvial/erosion hazard mapping project was started and two memos have been completed: a technical process for mapping and regulatory recommendations. Both memos are posted on the Colorado Hazard Mapping website (www.coloradohazardmapping.com). Pilot mapping for eight communities is currently underway. A model landuse code will be developed as an outcome of this project and communities will be encouraged to voluntarily adopt fluvial hazard maps and regulate to these hazards locally.
- 11. Assistance to Communities Responding to Disasters: CWCB staff has been heavily involved in the disaster recovery for DR-4145, meeting with communities to discuss floodplain management and permitting, assisting state agencies with post-flood studies and recovery, and planning for recovery efforts.
- 12. Grant Status:



Total FEMA grant amount: \$108,713 Anticipated quarterly/final draw down: \$105,819.59 Remaining: \$2,893.41

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