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Subject: FY18 Community Assistance Program 4th Quarter Report

This report cross-references the FY18 CAP-SSSE application and the FY17 CAP-SSE Program Guidance. Work performed during the performance period (July-September 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:
 - Archuleta County
 - Town of Granby
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 6 communities, including:
 - Town of Dove Creek
 - Town of Frisco
 - Town of Breckenridge
 - Town of Ramah
 - Town of Calhan
 - Mesa 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 satisfactorily 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:

- Natural Hazards Workshop - Broomfield, CO, July 9-11
- Community Resilience (AWR-228) FEMA Training - Denver, CO, July 12
- Presented on Temporary Designation of Best Available Floodplain Data and Updates to the State Flood Mitigation Plan (discussion items only)- CWCB Board Meeting, July 19
- Key Fundamentals of Flood Insurance Seminar - Golden, CO, July 20
- Advanced Floodplain Management Concepts (E0282) - EMI, July 30-August 2
- FEMA R8 Flood Insurance Partnership Roundtable - Lakewood, CO, August 21
- Requested and approved for adoption the Temporary Designation of Best Available Floodplain Data and Updates to the State Flood Mitigation Plan. Presented on community's compliance status with State Floodplain Rules & Regulations - CWCB Board Meeting, September 19
- Floodplain Management 101 (51 attended class, 41 took CFM exam) - Colorado Association of Stormwater and Floodplain Managers, Snowmass, CO, September 25
- Presented on Fluvial Hazard Mapping Program - Colorado Association of Stormwater and Floodplain Managers, Snowmass, CO, September 27

6. General Technical Assistance: Regulatory, administrative, mapping and technical assistance was provided to Colorado's NFIP communities on an as-needed 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, 64 GTA contacts were made by the State and the details 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 eligibility requirements for participation.

8. Community Rating System Support: The State continues to work towards improving Colorado's Uniform Minimum Credits. The CWCB Rules and



Regulations work 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.
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 was adopted by the CWCB Board at their September Board meeting.
 - 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 Mitigation Plan meetings.
 - Participating in meetings of the Flood Technical Assistance Partnership.
 - Coordinating with the Division of Dam Safety on floodplain management related issues.
 - 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: \$120,511.65

Anticipated quarterly/final draw down: \$0.00

Remaining: \$120,511.65

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