



Texas General Land Office

Mitigation Reallocation Program (MRP) FAQs

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Call for Projects Submission: General

Question: The published Amendment 6 section 5.4.13 lists permanently affixed emergency communications equipment but restricts CDBG-MIT spending on facilities used for general government, including emergency operation centers. Can City-owned communications equipment permanently installed within the JEOC qualify, and which dedicated supporting costs are permissible?

Answer: No, as cited in 84 FR 45838 (August 30, 2019), CDBG–MIT funds may be used for mitigation activities to enhance the resilience of facilities used to provide emergency response services, provided that such assistance is not used for buildings for the general conduct of government as defined at 24 CFR 570.3.

Question: Is there a cost share requirement?

Answer: Leverage funds are not required for the MRP, but organizations who pledge non-CDBG leverage of at least 10% of the CDBG-MIT funds requested will receive 5 points.

Question: Is there a definition for "Local Plan"? Does this specifically refer to a Hazard Mitigation Plan or can it be a master plan adopted by the municipality?

Answer: Local adopted plans may include but are not limited to: Master Plans, FEMA-Approved Local Hazard Mitigation Action Plans, Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies, Capital Improvement Plans, or Transportation Improvement Plans. The local plan must be adopted by the submitting organization.

Question: Is there an anticipated timeline for when applications will be reviewed and funding decisions will be made. I would appreciate any information you can provide regarding the expected award notification dates.

Answer: While we do not have an exact timeline for eligibility awards, we anticipate news about application awards to be released in early summer of 2027.

Question: What is the deadline for the call for projects submissions for the Mitigation Reallocation Program (MRP)?

Answer: The call for projects submissions deadline is Friday, November 18, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

Question: What is the minimum award amount per project?

Answer: The minimum award amount per project is \$2.5 million.

Question: What is the maximum award amount per project?

Answer: The maximum amount per project is \$10 million.

Question: How many projects can be submitted for the call for projects?

Answer: An eligible entity may submit a maximum of three (3) projects.

Question: What is the final date that projects need to be completed and programs close?

Answer: From the date of contract execution, subrecipients will have a maximum of three years to complete the project. The GLO may give project submissions with a shorter projected timeline less time to complete. Entities must carefully consider the timeline provided in their submission. Each project contract will have a specific timeline and milestones, which will vary based on the execution date and the project submission details. The Mitigation Reallocation Program does not allow for extensions.

Question: Will the GLO produce a webinar outlining the call for projects process?

Answer: The GLO hosted the MRP webinar on October 19, 2026, regarding the call for projects process. The call for projects deadline is November 18, 2026, at 5 p.m.

Question: If providing leverage, do communities need to submit a commitment of funds resolution with call for project submission showing the local entity is committing funds for the project?

Answer: Entities are not required to submit the commitment of funds resolution with the call for projects submission due November 18, 2026. If the eligible entity is invited to apply, the GLO will require the submission of a resolution or commitment letter with the full project application.

Question: What does permanently affixed emergency communication equipment include?

Answer: A general example of permanently affixed communication equipment may include a tower, associated hardware, and units mounted within emergency vehicles. However, it is important to note permanently affixed emergency communication equipment does not include items such as walkie-talkies or other handheld devices.

Question: If you want the five points for plan, does it have to be in a plan prior to application?

Answer: To receive the 5 points for "Projects being identified in a current adopted local plan", the project must be adopted in the local plan at the time of the call for project TIGR survey submission.

Eligibility

Question: Is the construction of a new emergency operations center an eligible activity under the MRP program?

Answer: No, buildings and facilities used for the general conduct of government (e.g. city halls, courthouses, emergency operation centers) are ineligible activities.

Question: Can the MRP fund engineering design, environmental review, permitting, and pre-construction activities? Or will a project be disqualified if Environmental clearance is not already acquired?

Answer: The MRP is available to fund total project costs for construction, engineering, acquisition, and project delivery (grant administration and environmental services). Environmental clearance can be completed and funded during the contract term. It is best practice to prepare environmental constraints analysis to identify regulatory hurdles (ex., permits or special studies) and establish consultation timelines.

Question: Please confirm whether communications continuity and witnessed failure/recovery tests, tied to the City's documented storm and flood hazards, provide an acceptable UNM risk-reduction measurement approach. Please identify any additional quantitative analysis required.

Answer: To meet the Urgent Need Mitigation (UNM) national objective, the organization must define the project's measurable and verification reduction in the risk of loss of life and property. An adequate response must demonstrate:

- What risks are affecting the project benefit service area?
- What past events have occurred within the project benefit service area?
- What type of mitigation techniques or enhancements will take place that will result in a measurable and verifiable reduction in risk and loss of life of property for the benefit service area?
- What are the measurable and verifiable reduction(s) in risk and loss of life of property for the benefit service area?

Question: Why is all of Far West Texas and most of West Texas not eligible for the MRP?

Answer: HUD based eligibility on FEMA Disaster Declarations from 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018. Not all counties in Texas were deemed eligible based on those disaster years. Federal Register notices for the grantee's of the 2015, 2016 or 2017 CDBG-DR:

- 2015 Disasters: 81 FR 39687; 82 FR 36812;
- 2016 Disasters: 81 FR 83254; 82 FR 5591; 82 FR 36812; and
- 2017 Disasters: 82 FR 61320; 83 FR 5844; 83 FR 40314

Question: Does the proposed project have to be in an adopted plan prior to the pre-app or prior to formal invitation?

Answer: No, there is no requirement to have a project in an adopted plan. The scoring criteria does allow for 5-points when a "Project is identified in a current adopted local plan," but it is not a requirement.

Question: If you want the five points for plan, does it have to be in a plan prior to call for projects survey submission?

Answer: To receive the 5-points for "Projects being identified in a current adopted local plan", the project must be adopted in the local plan at the time of the call for project TIGR survey submission.

Question: Would State Flood Plan count for local adopted plan?

Answer: No, the project must be in an adopted local plan. The project can be identified in a State Flood Plan but must also be adopted locally.

Question: We have outdated floodplain maps and are part of the National Floodplain Insurance Program. Would a potential project be to re-map or get engineered studies done for the unincorporated areas of the county or do a complete county study to get better data for future flood mitigation projects. This is part of our recently updated Hazard Mitigation Action Plan.

Answer: Planning is not an eligible activity for the MRP.

Question: Are planning projects available for funding or is it only design and construction?

Answer: Planning is not an eligible activity for the MRP.

Question: Do projects need to meet LMI requirements?

Answer: Projects must address one HUD national objective, Low- and moderate-income (LMI) or urgent need mitigation (UNM). Projects that meet the LMI national objective receive 10 points, while projects that do not meet the LMI national objective receive 0 points.

Question: Can funds supplement an existing GLO Mitigation project?

Answer: No, unless the project is a stand-alone project and not dependent on the other project for completion. The project must meet all MRP eligibility requirements.

Question: Are entities that were the subject of reallocation of funds eligible to apply for these dollars.

Answer: MRP eligible entities are aligned with the HUD-identified MID areas in the following Federal Register notices for the grantee's of the 2015, 2016 or 2017 CDBG-DR:

- 2015 Disasters: 81 FR 39687; 82 FR 36812;
- 2016 Disasters: 81 FR 83254; 82 FR 5591; 82 FR 36812; and
- 2017 Disasters: 82 FR 61320; 83 FR 5844; 83 FR 40314.

Question: COGs across the state of Texas own, manage, and maintain regional emergency radio communications systems utilized by first responder organizations within their jurisdictions. Can an eligible entity (city or county) apply to the MRP to acquire fixed communications equipment that would be used at tower sites on behalf of a COG?

Answer: If an entity is applying in conjunction with or on behalf of another entity, an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) must detail at a minimum a description of the proposed scope of work, tasks related to the project implementation throughout the life of the contract, ongoing maintenance

and upkeep, and roles and responsibilities. Per 2 CFR 200.318(d) The recipient's or subrecipient's procedures must avoid the acquisition of unnecessary or duplicative items.

Question: What entities are eligible?

Answer: The eligible entities for the MRP are:

- Units of local government (cities and counties);
- Indian Tribes; and
- Special purpose districts:
 - Municipal utility districts;
 - Water control and improvement districts;
 - Special utility districts;
 - Flood and drainage districts;
 - Navigation districts;
 - Port authorities; and
 - River authorities.

Scoring

Question: If we submit a higher dollar amount in the call for projects, but in the phase 2 of the application come to a lower dollar understanding, will we lose points for changing the price?

Answer: The scoring criteria does not consider price or cost per beneficiary, a lower CDBG-MIT dollar amount submission will not affect the overall score. Committed project leverage amount must remain as submitted in the call for projects survey.

Question: In the scoring matrix posted on the GLO website, my entity displays a zero for HUD MID scoring. However, previous CDBG-MIT projects for my entity have been considered both HUD MID and State MID based on project location. How should this be addressed?

Answer: The scoring matrix displays baseline scores based on the HUD MID counties, as determined by HUD; it does not account for HUD MID ZIP Codes determined by HUD. In the call for projects submission, the submitter can indicate the project is in a HUD MID ZIP Code and can select the applicable ZIP code within the entity's county. This will award the project submission five (5) points and the TIGR system will indicate the scoring change in the "Scoring" section; if the project submission is invited to apply for MRP, the project's service area will be verified as a part of application review.

Question: How are multi-jurisdictional projects scored?

Answer: Multi-jurisdictional projects will be scored based on the entity where the majority of the project service area is located.

Technical

Question: The employee who previously administered the TIGR account has retired, should we proceed with requesting MRP grant access while the existing county TIGR account transfer is being completed or will additional user authorization be required specifically for the MRP program?

Answer: The MRP Call for Projects requires all individuals who will enter, review, and submit information to have active Texas Integrated Reporting System (TIGR) access. A TIGR System Access Form will be required for new user initial access, as well as existing users who are adding personnel or vendors for purposes of the MRP. The TIGR System Access Form can be located on the GLO's website: recovery.texas.gov/mrp. Completed forms should be emailed to TIGRHelp@recovery.texas.gov by an authorized representative.

Question: Can applicants save the call for projects submission form to finish it in multiple sessions?

Answer: Yes, the survey can be completed across multiple sessions. However, it cannot be edited once submitted.

Procurement

Question: Can a community sign an interlocal agreement with a COG to handle the grant application and administration components, or is the community required to complete a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) of "Grant Services" for the project?

Answer: No, Grant administration services must be procured following federal procurement requirements found in 2 CFR 200.318 through 200.327 and Appendix II to Part 200.

Question: The County intends to partner with a municipality for a joint submission. We are currently building out the ILA. Can you please clarify if the County can be the sole solicitor of all procurement activities so long as it is spelled out in the ILA? (to include professional services and construction) or so each entity be handling their own procurement? The County and the City intend to submit separate applications, but we will establish the partnership clearly for the application.

Answer: Joint applications are not allowed for the MRP. The interlocal agreement must identify the organization who is taking lead responsibility for a contractual relationship with the GLO to include application entry and submission, contract execution, project implementation.

Question: Can one company do both Administration and Engineering if selected through Procurement? If so, can it be one RFQ or does it have to be 2 separate procurements, one for Admin and one for Engineering?

Answer: All applicants are required to follow federal procurement requirements found in 2 CFR 200.318 through 200.327 and Appendix II to Part 200.

A compliance responsibility for oversight of a scopes of work on the same firm could be interpreted as a conflict of interest. It is recommended to confer with your organization's local purchasing agent or legal counsel.

Question: Can a grant administrator submit this information on behalf of the community if it is not procured?

Answer: Eligible entities must exclude grant administrators that develop or draft specifications, requirements, statements of work, or invitations for bids or requests for proposals from competing for such procurements.

Question: Is it possible for an engineering firm to help a community identify and cost out projects without conflicting themselves out of the grant-funded work?

Answer: Contractors that develop or draft specifications, requirements, statements of work, or invitations for bids or requests for proposals cannot compete for such procurements. Confer with your entity's local purchasing agent or legal counsel.

Environmental Review

Question: Where can we get information about the updated HUD Floodplain Management Regulations?

Answer: The GLO has provided information regarding the updated HUD Floodplain Management Regulations located here: <https://www.glo.texas.gov/disaster-recovery/environmental>.

Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH)

Question: Do you have additional clarification or guidance on the requirement for an AFFH review? Is it correct that the applicant should put together this review prior to submitting a response to the call for projects?

Answer: All factors must be considered at project selection; documentation of the consideration will be submitted at time of application review.

Documenting Beneficiaries

Question: Are we allowed to use the survey data from our survey that was completed for the CDBG-MIT grant?

Answer: An applicant may use a previously completed and verified survey to document beneficiaries but must ensure the previously completed survey is updated as necessary to conform with the methodology in place at time of the application. The survey questionnaires must be completed no more than five (5) years prior to the application deadline.