



FEMA

April 24, 2024

The Honorable Phil Murphy
Governor, State of New Jersey
125 West State Street
Trenton, NJ 08625

Reference: Approval of the 2024 New Jersey State Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

Dear Governor Murphy:

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region II Mitigation Division, Resilience Branch has approved the 2024 New Jersey State Hazard Mitigation Plan effective April 24, 2024 through April 23, 2029 in accordance with the planning requirements of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act), as amended, the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, and Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 201.

A FEMA-approved state mitigation plan is a condition of receiving certain non-emergency Stafford Act assistance and FEMA mitigation grants from the following programs:

- Public Assistance Categories C–G (PA C–G)
- Fire Management Assistance Grants (FMAG)
- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
- Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grant Program (BRIC)
- Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM)
- High Hazard Potential Dams Grant Program (HHPD)
- Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)
- STORM ACT State Revolving Loan Fund

Approval of a mitigation plan does not guarantee funding under any FEMA program. Please refer to the individual FEMA non-emergency assistance and mitigation grant program policy and/or annual Notice of Funding Opportunity for specific application and eligibility requirements for the FEMA programs listed above.

If at any time over the plan approval period FEMA determines that the state is not complying with all applicable Federal statutes and regulations in effect with respect to the periods for which it receives funding or is unable to fulfill mitigation commitments, FEMA may take action to correct the noncompliance (44 CFR § 201.3(b)(5) and 201.4(c)(7)).

The state, as applicable, is responsible for communicating with local and tribal officials interested in applying through the state. FEMA encourages states to communicate with the appropriate officials regarding mitigation plan status and eligibility requirements.

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The state is responsible for reviewing and submitting approvable mitigation plans to FEMA. If the state in not submitting approvable mitigation plans, FEMA will provide feedback as well as technical assistance or training, as needed.

In addition, FEMA will provide a reminder to the state, at a minimum, 12 months prior to the plan expiration date, of the consequences of not having a FEMA-approved mitigation plan with respect to eligibility for the FEMA assistance programs that require a FEMA-approved mitigation plan as a condition of eligibility. To continue to apply for and receive funding from the programs listed on page1, the state must submit a draft of the next plan update prior to the end of the approval period, and allow sufficient time for the review and approval process, including any revisions, if needed, and for the formal adoption by the state following determination by FEMA that the plan has achieved a status of “Approvable Pending Adoption.”

We look forward to working with you to discuss the status of the state mitigation program eachyear over the approval period. If we can be of assistance, please contact Jack Heide, Resilience Branch Chief, at 202-709-0671 or john.heide@fema.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

William McDonnell
Director, Mitigation Division

Attachment:
State Mitigation Plan Review Tool