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MEMORANDUM

TO: County Emergency Management Agencies
Regional Planning Commissions
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FROM: Brian Hastings, Col (ret), USAF 
Director

DATE: September 9, 2021

RE: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

We are pleased to announce the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the FY 2021 Building Resilient Infrastructure in Communities (BRIC) Grant and FY 2021 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA). The two grant programs will provide funds to states, local communities, tribes and territories for eligible mitigation activities to strengthen our nation's ability to build a culture of preparedness. These programs allow for funding to be used on projects that will reduce future disaster losses. This is not a guarantee of funding, but an opportunity to apply for assistance. Details of how to apply are listed below. Please keep in mind that these applications are competitive nationwide and therefore must be complete and thorough. Applications will be accepted via FEMA GO (FEMA's online grants management system) starting Thursday, September 30th, 2021 until **Monday, November 29, 2021 at 5:00 PM CST. This will give AEMA staff time to review applications and work through any Requests for Information from the state or FEMA Region IV.** Applications received after this date and time will not be considered for funding. The application deadline of January 28, 2022 reflects the deadline for the state to submit to FEMA via FEMA GO **NOT** the state deadline of **Monday, November 29, 2021 at 5:00 PM CST.** The development of FEMA GO is a multi-year effort to modernize and transform the way FEMA conducts grants management. FEMA GO will streamline the process to apply for, track and manage FEMA grants.

The FEMA FY 2021 BRIC and FY 2021 FMA Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFO) and Fact Sheets can be accessed online at: <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/fy2021-nofo>.

The FEMA BRIC Summer Engagement Series PowerPoint slide shows can be found at: <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/2021-building-resilient-infrastructure-and-communities-and-flood-mitigation-assistance-programs>.

The link to the revised HMA Guidance, which discusses eligible project types and application requirements, can be found at: <http://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279>. If you are submitting an application, it is highly recommended that you read this guidance document for eligibility and application requirements.

You can visit GRANTS.GOV at: <https://www.grants.gov/forms/sf-424-family.html> which has updated versions of the required forms such as the SF424, these must be completed and attached during the FEMA GO application process.

Applications must be submitted via FEMA GO at: <https://go.fema.gov/login?redirect=%2F>.

You must register for a username and password to gain access at: <https://go.fema.gov/register>.

Please see the instructions below to begin the process for establishing an account in the FEMA GO system. If at any point in this process you have questions or need support in finding your DUNS number or setting up an account, please contact your AEMA HM Division Specialist.

1. Notify the AEMA of your intent to apply by emailing your AEMA HM Division Specialist with your organization name and DUNS Number.
2. Register for a FEMA Go account at go.fema.gov/register.
 - A. You will need your organizations DUNS Number.
 - B. You may receive a notice that states your 'Organization is already registered' in this case the POC listed will need to create an account and assign you as a 'suborganization authorized representative'.
3. Notify AEMA when your account is set up and permissions are in place by emailing [your](#) AEMA HM Division Specialist.

User guides for FEMA GO can be found at <https://www.fema.gov/grants/guidance-tools/fema-go/assistance-firefighters-grants>. Please note that the default account POCs were established by FEMA when they developed the FEMA GO system. If you need assistance or have any comments or questions, please contact your AEMA HM Division Specialist. An AEMA Division Map with POC information is attached to this email.

Additional information can be found on FEMA's website at: <http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance>.

Please let my staff know of your intent to apply or not to apply via replying to this email by Monday, September 28, 2021. Please include a brief description of your proposed project type. If you choose to submit a grant application, the deadline to submit in FEMA GO will be **Monday, November 29, 2021 at 5:00 PM CST (no exceptions)**. If you have any questions, please let your Hazard Mitigation Division Specialist know as soon as possible.

We look forward to working with each of you and your jurisdictions that choose to apply for this grant funding. If you have questions, please contact Michael Johnson, State Hazard Mitigation Officer, at michaelj@ema.alabama.gov or (205) 541-3723.

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