

# **LOUISIANA RECOVERY AUTHORITY**

## **Homeowner Mitigation Grant Assistance**

**July 30, 2008**

**OVERVIEW:** A resolution to request the Louisiana Recovery Authority Board to approve Action Plan Amendment No.27 to Action Plan No. 1 to recommend that Homeowner Mitigation Grant Assistance not be counted against the Homeowner Assistance ceiling of \$150,000; to authorize staff to publish Action Plan Amendment No. 27 for public comment; and to authorize the Chairman of the Board to approve staff changes to Action Plan Amendment No. 27 requested in public comments and submit and recommend such Action Plan Amendment to the Governor and the Louisiana Legislature for approval.

Whereas, the intent of the Homeowner Assistance Program is to provide homeowners with sufficient resources to get back in to their homes, however, not every homeowner is necessarily entitled to the maximum grant amount of \$150,000;

Whereas, in many cases the Homeowner Assistance Program will not provide 100% of the resources a homeowner needs to recover from losses that resulted from Hurricanes Katrina or Rita;

Whereas, Homeowner Mitigation Grant Assistance provides homeowners with up to \$7,500 in assistance to mitigate their homes from future storm damage; and

Whereas, not counting these funds against the Homeowner Assistance ceiling will afford Louisiana citizens impacted by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita another opportunity to receive sufficient resources to get back into their homes; and

Whereas, homeowners who have received the maximum amount of homeowner assistance, \$150,000, would also be eligible to receive up to \$7,500 in Homeowner Mitigation Grant Assistance.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Louisiana Recovery Authority Board does hereby approve Action Plan Amendment No. 27 to Action Plan Amendment No. 1 which provides that Homeowner Mitigation Grant Assistance shall not be counted against the Homeowner Assistance ceiling of \$150,000.

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Louisiana Recovery Authority Board does hereby authorize staff to publish Action Plan Amendment No. 27 to Action Plan No. 1 for public comment.

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Louisiana Recovery Authority Board does hereby authorize the Chairman of the Board to approve staff changes to Action Plan Amendment No. 27 to Action Plan No. 1 requested in public comments and submit and

recommend such Action Plan Amendment to the Governor and the Louisiana Legislature for approval.