



Louisiana Recovery Authority Board Meeting

Baton Rouge, LA
April 15, 2009



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Katrina/Rita Recovery Update

▪ **Public Assistance**

- More than \$7.5 billion obligated
- \$4.2 billion paid out by the state to local applicants

▪ **Individual Assistance (Individuals and Households Program)**

- \$6.1 billion provided in housing and other needs assistance
- 91,850 families housed in mobile homes, travel trailers and park models
- 3,229 remain

▪ **Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)**

- \$1.47 billion made eligible
- \$358.7 million obligated



Katrina/Rita Housing Mission Update

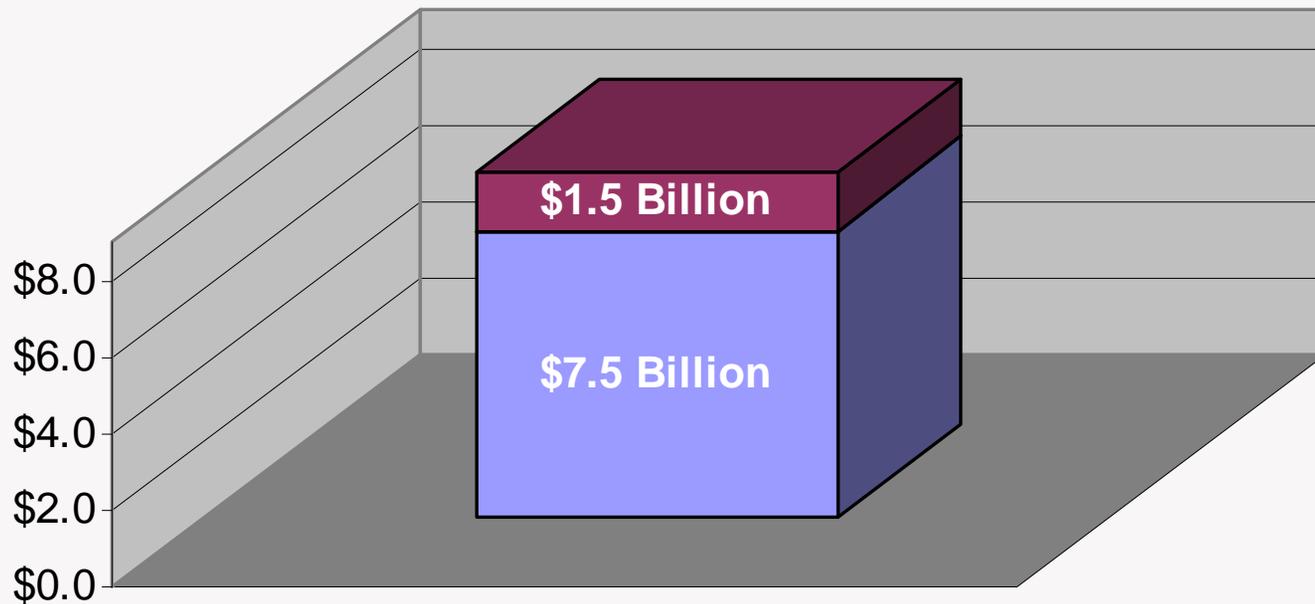
May 1st Housing Program Deadline

- The current Temporary Housing Assistance program for Katrina and Rita applicants expires on May 1, 2009.
- FEMA has extended the direct housing program in the Gulf Coast more than two years beyond the statutory 18-month limit for housing assistance.
- Disaster victims have been offered multiple options for long-term housing, and FEMA will continue to help applicants identify a viable long-term housing solution through the end of the program.
- FEMA is currently issuing termination notices to occupants of temporary housing.
- Although applicants will not be evicted immediately on May 1, FEMA will implement its national lease termination policy at the end of the period of assistance.



Closing Perceived Gaps

Recovery Status: Louisiana PA Projects



■ FEMA PA Funding Obligated ■ Additional Eligible Funds Projected by the State



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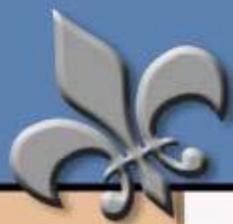
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PA Changes Implemented

- **Unified Public Assistance Project Decision Team:**
 - To review disputed projects and to provide solutions for resolution.
- **Joint FEMA/State Expediting Team:**
 - To review all project requests for amending worksheets from previous cost estimates.
- **Stronger Team Approach:**
 - FEMA is encouraging and hosting joint meetings with all key players when needed to facilitate communications regarding “next steps” on key projects.
- **Fresh Look:**
 - To ensure that all eligible damages for recovery projects are funded.





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