

Governor's Office of
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LRA Briefing

DISASTER RECOVERY

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Background Brief

Mission

“To lead the disaster recovery efforts of the State of Louisiana through effective administration of recovery and mitigation programs for the benefit of its citizens while maintaining the highest standards of customer service.”

Disaster Recovery Organization



Disaster Recovery Division *Personnel*

- ✓ Responsible for the two major recovery programs
 - Public Assistance Program
 - Hazard Mitigation Program
- ✓ 43 permanent State employees, 180 temporary State employees & approximately 85 contractors, located throughout Louisiana
- ✓ Primary office located in the FEMA Joint Field Office (JFO), downtown Baton Rouge, in circa 1950 warehouse of old Goudcheaux's Department Store



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Largest Disaster In U.S. History

Katrina is 3x large than the next largest disaster; Katrina & Rita are larger than the next 8 disasters combined

EVENT	YEAR	FEMA FUNDING
Hurricane Katrina (LA Only)	2005	\$30 billion
Attack on America (NY,NJ,VA)	2001	\$9 billion
Northridge Earthquake (CA)	1994	\$7 billion
Hurricane Rita (LA,TX)	2005	\$3.8 billion
Hurricane Ivan (AL,FL,GA,LA,MS,NJ,NY,NC,PA,TN,WV)	2004	\$2.4 billion
Hurricane Georges (AL,FL,LA,MS,PR,VI)	1998	\$2.25 billion
Hurricane Wilma (FL)	2005	\$2.1 billion
Hurricane Charley (FL,SC)	2004	\$1.89 billion
Hurricane Andrew (FL,LA)	1992	\$1.8 billion
Hurricane Frances (FL,GA,NY,NC,OH,PA,SC)	2004	\$1.77 billion

FEMA's Top Ten Disasters

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Public Assistance - Status

✓ Currently manages projects valued at \$6 Billion

- State Estimates total obligated to rise to approximately \$8 Billion

PA Projects By Category

Category	Projects	Obligated	Requested & Reimbursed	Balance
A. Debris Removal	888	\$1,188,373,051	\$774,275,668	\$444,097,383
B. Protective Measures	6026	\$1,864,827,932	\$1,468,434,430	\$396,393,502
C. Road Systems	407	\$66,664,764	\$18,518,279	\$48,146,485
D. Water Control Facilities	111	\$26,967,683	\$6,205,199	\$20,762,484
E. Public Buildings & Equip.	11317	\$2,375,815,267	\$545,392,847	\$1,830,422,420
F. Public Utilities	784	\$281,373,229	\$164,595,162	\$116,778,067
G. Parks/Other	1060	\$118,317,746	\$20,106,389	\$98,211,357
Z. State Management Costs	22	\$76,445,558	\$53,584,939	\$22,860,619
	20601	\$5,998,785,231	\$3,021,122,913	\$2,977,672,318

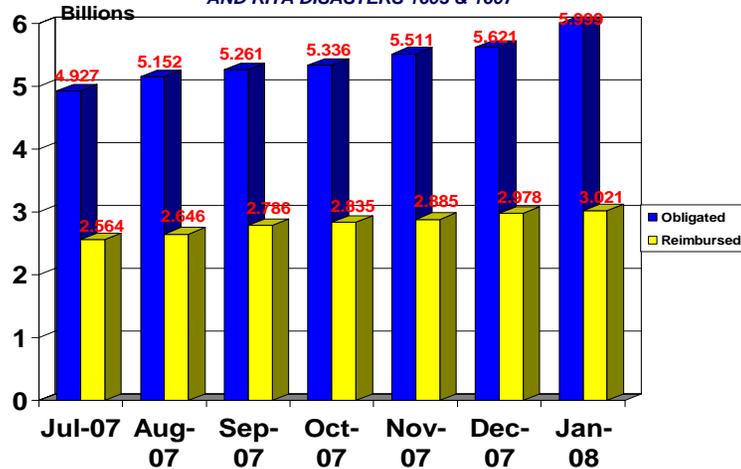
Total Project Worksheets Written = 40414

Applicants = 1,400+

Total PA Funds Received in the 15 Years Prior to Katrina/Rita = \$352,410,500

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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENT SUMMARY HURRICANES KATRINA AND RITA DISASTERS 1603 & 1607



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Katrina – Rita Recovery Metrics

- **1,400 + Unique Applicants**
 - 20 Applicants with over **\$100** million in Damages
 - 7 Applicants with over **\$200** million in Damages
 - 3 Applicants with over **\$300** million in Damages
 - 1 Applicants with over **\$500** million in Damages
- **21,000 + Total Projects**
- **4,700 Large C-G Projects**
- **2 ½ Years post-event:**
 - ✓ \$3 billion Reimbursed
 - ✓ 34% of Large C-G Projects started (\$900 million spent)
 - ✓ 10-20% of Large C-G Projects Construction Started
- **Entire School Districts Require Rebuilding**
- **Over 400 Building Designated as Replacement**
- **960 Projects Under Appeal**

Previous 10 years
 Average Disaster Size
 \$40 Million wo/Katrina
 \$60 Million w/Katrina

Public Assistance Initiatives

- ✓ Policy summit with FEMA 13/14 Feb 2008, Baton Rouge to raise major policy issues adversely affecting recovery
 - Key State policy issues affecting recovery
- ✓ Recovery School District \$50 million disbursement program

Public Assistance Initiatives

- ✓ **Key FEMA/State policy issues affecting recovery:**
 - Program Management Funding**
 - Undervalued PWs/Scope of Work
 - Grant Management of Contents PW**
 - State & Local Administrative Costs
 - Appeals - Alternate Dispute Resolution
 - Alternate/Improved Projects
 - 406 Mitigation
 - Codifying Policy for Insurance Deductibles
 - Insurance Waivers
 - Application of Codes & Standards
 - Review of Expedited PWs
 - NFIP 50% Rule Process
 - Fair Labor Standard Act (*Policy 9525.7*)
 - Chronology of Asset Protection (*CAP*)
 - Timeliness for Completing Versions
- ** Resolved**

Hazard Mitigation Status

- ✓ Currently manages grant programs valued at \$1.78 Billion
- ✓ HM Grant funding as allocated by LRA:
 - \$1,471,111,000 Federal Share Available
 - \$1,136,990,815 OCD HMGP Project
 - \$ 250,000,000 Traditional HMGP program
 - \$ 29,250,000 5% Initiative Projects
 - \$ 54,870,185 State Management Costs

Hazard Mitigation

- ✓ **5% Initiative Projects**
 - \$18,750,000 CEO Project (Federal Share)
 - \$10,500,000 Code Enforcement Initiative (Federal Share)
- ✓ **\$250M Traditional HMGP Program**
 - **No. of Parishes Participating: 52**
 - **Total No. of Projects: 243**
 - \$62,667,909 Approved / Obligated by FEMA
 - \$27,610,364 At FEMA Review
 - \$129,745,179 Under State Review
 - \$29,976,548 Anticipated Unused Allocation

Hazard Mitigation

✓OCD HMGP Project

- Purpose - provide assistance for elevation, reconstruction & individual mitigation measures for approximately 40,000 damaged homes
 - Total Project cost = \$1.476 Billion
 - Federal Share = \$1.107 Billion
- Provides up to \$30,000 per home for elevation or reconstruction
- Provides for up to \$7,500 for Individual Mitigation Measures per home

✓Additional HM Grant funds

- \$39.6 Million (*\$29.7 Million Federal share*) awaiting development of grant application potentially for acquisitions



Questions