

Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Annual Grant Cycle Submissions Summary

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UPDATE: On June 30, 2021, FEMA announced the selection of the FY 2020 grants for the \$700 million available through its Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) and Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) programs. Learn more about the [BRIC selections](#) and the [FMA selections](#).

The Fiscal Year 2020 application cycle for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) grant programs opened on Sept. 30, 2020 and closed on Jan. 29, 2021.

The data shown below represents a summary of the subapplications submitted to FEMA for potential funding. There is \$700 million in funding available. This includes \$500 million for Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities with \$20 million in set-aside grants for tribes. There is \$200 million for Flood Mitigation Assistance.

[Jump to Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities summaries.](#)

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Summary of Total Subapplications

- FEMA received **1,216 subapplications** requesting an estimated **\$3.99 billion** in funding across the two non-disaster Hazard Mitigation Assistance grant programs.
- In total, **53 states and territories** applied for funding. In addition, about 50% of the subapplications submitted an application for both the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities and Flood Mitigation Assistance. FEMA also



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received submissions from **63 tribes** who applied for grants.

- Applications and subapplications for the Fiscal Year 2020 non-disaster grants were submitted using a new grants management system called FEMA Grants Outcomes (FEMA GO). The system allows users to apply, track, and manage all disaster and non-disaster grants.
- After releasing the Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs) on August 4, 2020, FEMA observed application activities in FEMA GO. After the application period opened, FEMA GO usage significantly increased and about 60% of subapplications were in the system by Dec. 1, 2020.

As in previous years, the Fiscal Year 2020 summary of subapplications continues the trend of oversubscription to Hazard Mitigation Assistance grant programs and helps demonstrate the need for hazard mitigation efforts and funding in the United States.

Summary: Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Subapplication Submissions

FEMA received 980 subapplications, which is the most subapplications received to date for pre-disaster mitigation.

For this grant cycle, \$500 million is available, and FEMA received requests for \$3.6 billion in applications, with total proposed project costs exceeding \$5.49 billion.





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[Download the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities FY20 Subapplication data \(CSV\).](#)

Geographic Summary

- 53 states and territories applied for a Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grant. Of these, 25 states submitted projects with \$50 million or more federal share.
- Five states submitted projects with over \$200 million federal share: California, New Jersey, New York, Texas and Virginia.
- Tribes submitted 62 subapplications requesting an estimated \$20.2 million in funding.

BRIC Small and Impoverished Community Information

- For communities classified as small and impoverished, the federal cost share is reduced to 10% as compared to the standard 25%.
- Of the 980 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities submissions, FEMA received subapplications from 88 small and impoverished communities.
- FEMA is committed to delivering our programs with equity, and this increase in applications from small, impoverished communities is an encouraging sign.

Subapplications Summary

For Fiscal Year 2020, nine states and three tribes submitted grant applications for non-financial Direct Technical Assistance to communities.

Table 1: Types of Subapplications

Uses of BRIC Assistance	Number of Subapplications Submitted	Amount of Funding Being Requested	% of Total Dollars Requested	% of the Subapplications Submitted
Mitigation Projects	586	\$3.2 Billion	88.8%	59.8%



Uses of BRIC Assistance	Number of Subapplications Submitted	Amount of Funding Being Requested	% of Total Dollars Requested	% of the Subapplications Submitted
Capability and Capacity Building Activities	327	\$56.8 Million		33.4%
Management Costs	67	\$344 Million		
Direct Technical Assistance	12			

NOTE: FEMA received seven large project applications which project amounts reached the maximum in federal share of \$50 million.

Project Types Summary

There are various types of projects eligible for Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grants. The lists below reflect the top five project types by Federal Share Requested and Number of Subapplications that do not include Management Costs.

Top Five Project Types by Federal Share Requested

1. Flood Control = **\$1.3 billion**
2. Utility/Infrastructure Protection = **\$771 million**
3. Safe room/shelters = **\$184 million**
4. Retrofits = **\$176 million**
5. Mitigation Reconstruction = **\$164 million**

Top Five Project Types by Number of Subapplications

1. Flood Control = **162 subapplications**



2. Plan Update = **127 subapplications**
3. Utility/Infrastructure Protection = **120 subapplications**
4. Engineering, Environmental, Feasibility, and/or Benefit-Cost Analysis = **98 subapplications**
5. Generators = **72 subapplications**

Summary: Flood Mitigation Assistance Subapplication Submissions

FEMA received 236 subapplications which is the most subapplications received to date for this grant program.

For Fiscal Year 2020, \$200 million is available. FEMA received requests for \$472 million in applications, with total proposed project costs exceeding \$393 million.





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Geographic Summary

- In total, 30 states and territories applied for a Flood Mitigation Assistance grant. Two states submitted projects with \$50 million or more federal share.
- Eight states submitted projects with over \$10 million federal share: Louisiana, North Carolina, North Dakota, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Texas and Virginia.
- 26 states did not submit Flood Mitigation Assistance subapplications.
- One Tribal subapplication requesting an estimated \$512,460 in funding.

Flood Mitigation Assistance Cost Share

FEMA may contribute up to 100% federal cost share for Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL) properties and may contribute up to 90% federal cost share for Repetitive Loss (RL) properties.

Subapplications Summary

States, territories and tribes submitted applications for the following categories.

Table 2: Types of Subapplications for Flood Mitigation Assistance

Uses of FMA	Number of Subapplications Submitted	Amount of Funding Being Requested
Individual Property Mitigation Projects	133	\$246 million
Community Flood Mitigation	33	\$124.3 million
Project Scoping	29	\$5.1 million



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Uses of FMA	Number of Subapplications Submitted	Amount of Funding Being Requested
Technical Assistance/Flood Hazard Planning	14	\$729,000
Management Costs	27	\$16.8 million

Project Types Summary

There are various types of projects eligible for Flood Mitigation Assistance funding. These lists reflect the top five project types by Federal Share Requested and Number of Subapplications that do not include Management Costs.

Top Five Project Types by Federal Share Requested

1. Elevations = **\$143.9 million**
2. Flood Control = **\$124.4 million**
3. Acquisitions = **\$68.3 million**
4. Stabilization and Restoration = **\$15.8 million**
5. Relocation = **\$9.4 million**

Top Five Project Types by Number of Subapplications

1. Elevations = **76 subapplications**
2. Acquisitions = **39 subapplications**
3. Flood Control = **33 subapplications**
4. Engineering, Environmental, Feasibility, and/or Benefit-Cost Analysis = **16 subapplications**
5. Mitigation Reconstruction = **11 subapplications**

