

# FEMA Awards Marco Island \$1.5 Million for a Generator

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Orlando, Fla. – FEMA is awarding the City of Marco Island a \$1,500,000 Hazard Mitigation grant to fund a generator at the Water Source Facility, located at 7130 Collier Blvd., Naples, FL 34114. The proposal is to install a 1600-kilowatt generator to keep their Water Source Facility (for potable water treatment, water pressure, and fire suppression supply to the community of Marco Island) continuously operational in the event of an outage.

Funding for this HMGP project is authorized under Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Act.

HMGP dollars help strengthen communities by improving buildings, facilities and infrastructure that people use every day. A 2018 report from the National Institute of Building Sciences found that one dollar spent on hazard mitigation will save more than six dollars of recovery and rebuilding costs.

Florida has a FEMA-approved Enhanced Mitigation Plan, making the state eligible for HMGP funding not to exceed 20 percent of the estimated total amount of money spent by FEMA on disaster grants in the Hurricane Irma disaster. From this amount, HMGP reimburses the state up to 75 percent of eligible costs for mitigation projects. The remaining amount comes from other sources such as state and local assets and a combination of cash and in-kind sources.

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