

March 11, 2021

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Chief, Texas Division of Emergency Management
Vice Chancellor-The Texas A&M University System
1033 La Posada Drive, Suite 300
Austin, TX 78752

Attn: Mr. Josh Davies, State Hazard Mitigation Officer

Re: 4416-0013-TX

Hopkins County- Critical Facilities Generator-Regular

Approval

CFDA 97.039 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

#### Dear Chief Kidd:

This letter provides official notification that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approves the application submitted by Hopkins County for the Hopkins County Critical Facilities Generator project. The Federal share is available through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) under DR-4416. The non-federal match requirement of \$68,971.50 will be provided by Hopkins County.

Pursuant to Section 1215 of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018, which amended Section 324 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Assistance Act, Subrecipient Management Costs (MC) in the amount of \$132,794.00 are available to Hopkins County at a Federal Cost Share of 100%.

Summary of funding for the project is illustrated below:

DR-4416-0013-TX	Federal Share	Non-Federal Share	Total
Project Costs	\$209,914.50	\$68,971.50	\$275,886.00
	(75%)	(25%)	(100%)
Subrecipient Management Costs	\$13,794.00	\$0.00	\$13,794.00
	(100%)	(0%)	(100%)
Total Obligation	\$220,708.50	\$68,971.50	\$289,680.00

The following is the approved Scope of Work (SOW) and MC activities for the above-referenced project:

Hopkins County proposes to purchase two portable, emergency back-up generators for use at multiple facilities throughout Hopkins County during prolonged power outages. When not in use, the generators will be stored at the Hopkins County Fire Department located at 1286 Texas Street, Suite B, Sulphur Springs, TX. Quick connects will be installed at each of the receiving facilities to include an automatic transfer switch, electrical rack to mount the automatic transfer switch, conduit, wire, and duct-bank installation, and applicable site modifications necessary to install the quick connects.

Quick Connect locations that have been approved as components in this project's SOW.

Generator Location	Address	City	Zip Code	Latitude	Longitude
Hopkins County VFD Station 1	11865 FM 71 E	Sulphur Bluff	75481	33.33261	-95.39842
Hopkins County VFD Station 2	299 Gaskins St.	Como	75431	33.06141	-95.47258
Hopkins County VFD Station 3	51 FM 71 E	Sulphur Springs	75482	33.27221	-95.58314
Hopkins County VFD Station 7-1	4264 FM 269 S	Pickton	75471	33.10738	-95.38571
Hopkins County VFD Station 7-2	68 CR 2419	Pickton	75471	33.02972	-95.39146
Hopkins County VFD Station 9-1	10237 US HWY 67	Saltillo	75478	33.18306	-95.33025
Hopkins County VFD Station 9-2	175 FM 269 N	Saltillo	75478	33.16400	-95.40710
Hopkins County VFD Station 11-1	101 W Main St.	Cumby	75433	33.13730	-95.83953
Hopkins County VFD Station 11-2	889 HWY 67 W	Brashear	75420	33.11839	-95.73685
Hopkins County VFD Station 12	1415 S FM 69	Sulphur Springs	75482	33.12684	-95.49157

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Hopkins County VFD Station 14	2000 FM 1536	Sulphur Springs	75482	33.32687	-95.55738
Hopkins County VFD Station 15	6000 FM 69 N	Dike	75437	33.23546	-95.48148
Hopkins County VFD Station 17	3222 FM 1567 W	Sulphur Springs	75482	32.98795	-95.65080
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Como Water Supply - Sewer Plant	93 CR 2328	Como	75431	33.05430	-95.48260
Brinker Water Supply - Big H Tower/Well	1730 CR 2431	Como	75431	32.99483	-95.48462

Approved subrecipient MC include pre-award costs for project management.

This project has been determined to be Categorically Excluded (CATEX) in accordance with FEMA Instruction 108-1-1 and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Instruction 023-01-001-01; CATEX M13 from the need to prepare either an Environmental Impact Statement or Environmental Assessment (EA). No extraordinary circumstances in accordance with DHS Instruction 023-01-001-01 have been identified regarding this action. The applicant must comply with all conditions set forth in the attached Record of Environmental Consideration (REC). Failure to comply with these conditions may jeopardize federal assistance including funding.

The milestones included in the application indicate that the time to complete this generator project will be 24-months from the date of this letter. FEMA will not establish activity completion timeframes for individual sub awards. The Period of Performance (POP) for DR-4416-TX is August 23, 2023, which is 36 months from the close of the application period. It is the responsibility of the recipient and subrecipient to ensure all approved activities associated with this subaward are completed by the end of the POP. Any costs incurred prior to the date of this approval or after the POP will be disallowed.

A change to the approved SOW requires prior approval from FEMA. The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) stipulates that additions or amendments to a HMGP SOW shall be reviewed by all state and federal agencies participating in the NEPA process. NEPA sign-off for all SOW

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additions or amendments is essential before the revised SOW can be approved by FEMA or implemented by the HMGP subrecipient.

In accordance with FEMA Policy #104-11-1 Interim Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Management Costs, any MC provided will be obligated in increments sufficient to cover recipient and subrecipient needs for no more than one year unless contractual agreements require additional funding. Actual subrecipient MC are to be reconciled quarterly during the review of expenditures submitted by the subrecipient through quarterly report process.

Subrecipient MC can be expended for a maximum time of 180 days after work is completed for the subaward or the end of the Period of Performance (POP), whichever is sooner. The initial quarterly progress reports for the HMGP project is due at the end of the approving quarter. Please include this HMGP project in your future quarterly reports. Note that 44 CFR § 206.438(c) indicates the State must provide a quarterly progress report to FEMA indicating the status and completion date for each project funded. The report will include any problems or circumstances affecting completion dates, SOW, or project cost that may result in non-compliance with the approved grant conditions.

In accordance with HMGP rules and policy, we require the submittal of all closeout documentation within 90 days of the project completion, not to exceed POP. Section 206.438(d) of 44 CFR requires the Governors Authority Representative (GAR) to "certify that reported costs were incurred in the performance of eligible work, that the approved work was completed, and that the mitigation measure is in compliance with the provisions of the FEMA-State Agreement."

The Obligation Report, and REC are-included for your records.

If you have any questions regarding the information, please contact Delores Warnell, Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Specialist, at (512) 632-4721or Delores.Warnell@fema.dhs.gov.

Sincerely.

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Brianne Schmidtke HMA Branch Chief

Attachments: Obligation Report

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### RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION (REC)

Project HMGP-DR-4416-TX Project #13

Title: Hopkins County Critical Facility Generators

### NEPA DETERMINATION

Non Compliant Flag: No

EA Draft Date:

**EA Final Date:** 

**EA Public Notice Date:** 

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Level: CATEX

**FIS Notice of Intent** 

EIS ROD Date:

Comment Hopkins County proposes to purchase two portable emergency back up generators for use at multiple facilities throughout the County during prolonged power outages (see attached Quick Connect Service Locations for location details). When not in use, the generators will be stored at the Hopkins County Fire Department located at 1286 Texas Street, Suite B in Sulphur Springs, Texas (33.112185, -95.611397). Quick connects will be installed at each of the receiving facilities to include an automatic transfer switch. electrical rack to mount the automatic transfer switch, conduit, wire, and ductbank installation, and other site modifications necessary to install the quick connects.

> This project has been determined to be Categorically Excluded from the need to prepare either an Environmental Impact Statement or Environmental Assessment in accordance with FEMA Instruction 108-1-1 and DHS Instruction 023-01-001-01; CATEX M13. Particular attention should be given to the project conditions before and during project implementation. Failure to comply with these conditions may jeopardize federal assistance including funding - kcampoal - 09/01/2020 22:16:40 GMT

### **CATEX CATEGORIES**

Catex Category Code

Description

Selected Yes

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(\*m13) Construction or installation of structures, facilities, or equipment for the purpose of ensuring the continuity of operations during incidents such as emergencies, disasters, flooding, and power outages involving less than one acre of ground disturbance. Examples include the installation of generators. installation of storage tanks of up to 10,000 gallons, installation of pumps, construction of structures to house emergency equipment, and utility line installation. This CATEX covers associated ground disturbing activities, such as trenching, excavation, and vegetation removal of less than one acre, as well as modification of existing structures

### **EXTRAORDINARY**

**Extraordinary Circumstance Code** 

Description

Selected?

No Extraordinary Circumstances were selected

### **ENVIRONMENTAL LAW / EXECUTIVE ORDER**

Environmental Law/ Executive Order	Status	Description	Comment
Clean Air Act (CAA)	Completed	Project will not result in permanent air emissions - Review concluded	
Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA)	Completed	Project is not on or connected to CBRA Unit or otherwise protected area - Review concluded	

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Environmental Law/ Executive Order	Status	Description	Comment
	Completed	Project does not have potential to take migratory birds - Review concluded	
Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA)	Completed	Project not located in or near Essential Fish Habitat - Review concluded	
National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)	Completed	Applicable executed Programmatic Agreement. Activity meets Programmatic Allowance (enter date and # in comments) - Review concluded	The scope of work has been reviewed and meets the criteria in Appendix B - Programmatic Allowances, Item II; Section D 2 a of FEMA's Programmatic Agreement (PA) dated September 11, 2014. In accordance with this PA, FEMA is not required to determine the National Register eligibility of properties where work performed meets the Appendix B criteria. The scope of work has been reviewed and FEMA has determined that the project will not require Tribal Consultation sforbes2 - 09/01/2020 20:39:18 GMT
Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, aka Solid Waste Disposal Act (RCRA)	Completed	Review concluded	
Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (WSR)	Completed	Project is not along and does not affect Wild and Scenic River - Review concluded	

### CONDITIONS

### Special Conditions required on implementation of Projects:

Unusable equipment, debris and material shall be disposed of in an approved manner and location. In the event significant items (or evidence thereof) are discovered during implementation of the project, applicant shall handle, manage, and dispose of petroleum products, hazardous materials and toxic waste in accordance to the requirements and to the satisfaction of the governing local, state and federal agencies.

Source of condition: Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, aka Solid Waste Disposal Act (RCRA) Monitoring Required:

No

#### Standard Conditions:

Any change to the approved scope of work will require re-evaluation for compliance with NEPA and other Laws and Executive Orders.

This review does not address all federal, state and local requirements. Acceptance of federal funding requires recipient to comply with all federal, state and local laws. Failure to obtain all appropriate federal, state and local environmental permits and clearances may jeopardize federal funding.

If ground disturbing activities occur during construction, applicant will monitor ground disturbance and if any potential archeological resources are discovered, will immediately cease construction in that area and notify the State and FEMA.

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