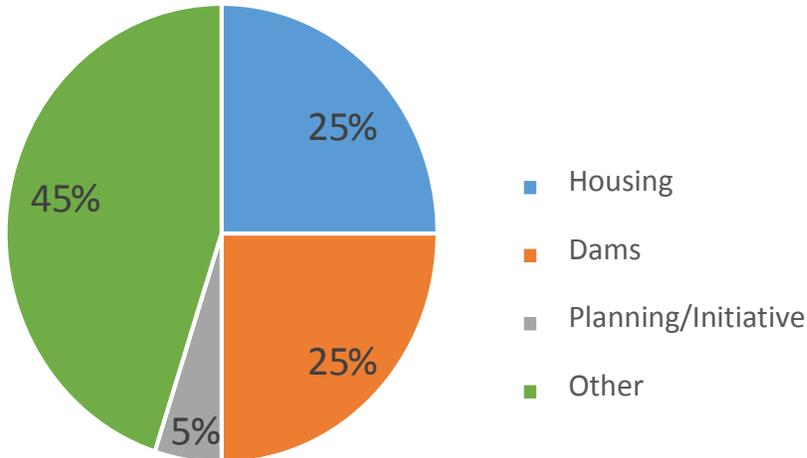


# Funding Priorities & Methodology

## DR-4241-SC Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)



**Note:** If there are any unused funds remaining in any of these categories, they will be distributed among the other categories based on their relative share of the funding total.

### **Housing – 25%**

**30 Day Estimate: \$9,073,236**

Projects involving the acquisition and demolition or elevation of severely or repetitively damaged or otherwise flood-prone properties. Priority will be given as follows:

1. Projects that are exempt from the benefit-cost analysis (BCA) requirement. These include acquisition projects in the floodplain averaging \$276,000 or less per structure, as well as elevation projects in the floodplain averaging \$175,000 or less per structure. These projects will be funded according to the following priorities:
  1. Projects at repetitive Loss properties (as defined by FEMA)
  2. Projects at structures that were substantially damaged by this event
  3. Projects at other structures in the floodplain
2. Projects that require a BCA, ranked by Benefit-Cost Ratio (BCR) (with priority given to the most cost beneficial projects).



## **Dams – 25%**

**30 Day Estimate: \$9,073,236**

Projects at state-regulated dams (or those that are interested in applying to participate in the state dam safety program) that increase capacity or conveyance, or otherwise increase their ability to prevent flooding. These projects will be funded in accordance with the following priorities:

1. Projects at State-regulated dams that were significantly affected by the 4241 flooding event
2. Projects at State-regulated dams that were not significantly affected by the 4241 flooding event
3. Projects at unregulated dams that were significantly affected by the 4241 flooding event
4. Projects at unregulated dams that were not significantly affected by the 4241 flooding event

Projects will be ranked within these categories based on Benefit-Cost Ratio (BCR), with priority given to the most cost beneficial projects.



## **Mitigation Planning and Initiative Projects – 5%**

**30 Day Estimate: \$1,814,647**

Mitigation planning projects involve writing or updating local hazard mitigation plans, which are a federal requirement for participation in the mitigation program, or the development of stronger floodplain management portions of these plans. Initiative Projects are projects that measurably reduce risk associated with future disaster but for which Benefit-Cost Analysis is infeasible. These typically include public information campaigns, weather radios, and warning systems. These projects will be funded in accordance with the following priorities:

1. Mitigation planning projects (with priority given to jurisdictions with mitigation plans expiring soonest)
2. Initiative projects (with priority given to the lowest-cost projects)



## **Other – 45%**

**30 Day Estimate: \$16,331,825**

All other projects that measurably reduce risk associated with future disasters. These projects may include, but are not limited to, generators, structural retrofits, nonstructural flood control, projects involving engineered beaches, and all other projects that are eligible in accordance with the 2015 Unified Hazard Mitigation Assistance Guidance. These projects will be ranked by Benefit-Cost Ratio (BCR), with priority given to the most cost beneficial projects.

## **Comment Period**

**1<sup>st</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> February**

The SCEMD Mitigation team is available upon request to meet with any interested parties to discuss the prioritization plan.

If you have any comments on this plan, please submit them to, [mitigationteam@emd.sc.gov](mailto:mitigationteam@emd.sc.gov), here they will be stored, viewed, and then discussed as the ICC meets on a bi-weekly basis.

At the end of the comment period, the ICC will meet and make any changes based on the comment period, and finalize the plan.

