# Georgia Emergency Management Agency / Homeland Security (GEMA/HS)

# Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Applicant's Briefing DR-4400-GA



## **GEMA/HS Mission**

To facilitate the protection of life and property against man-made and natural disasters by directing the state's efforts in the areas of prevention, preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery.









## **Workshop Agenda**

- Introduction of Staff and Attendees
- HMGP Application Information
  - Program Overview
  - Available Funds
  - Priority
  - Application Process and Schedule



#### **Let's Get Started**

- Introductions
- Please Include
  - Name
  - Community
  - Agency
  - Project Interest
- Sign In Sheet
- Handouts



## **DR-4400 Statewide Impact**



#### **Impacts of Hurricane Michael**

- Damages primarily to Roads, Buildings,
   EMCs
- \$2.3 \$2.8 Billion in damages to agriculture
- >450 thousand without power
- 3 Fatalities
- \$350 million is estimated in uninsured losses



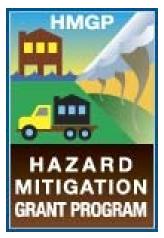
## **Hazard Mitigation Grant Program**

- The Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) provides grants to States and local governments to implement longterm hazard mitigation measures after a major disaster declaration.
- The HMGP is authorized under Section 404 of the Robert T.
   Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.
- Since 1990, the HMGP has provided funds to Georgia to invest in long-term actions that reduce damages from future natural hazards.



## Objectives of the HMGP

- Significantly reduce or eliminate future risk to lives and property from severe natural hazards
- Provide funds to implement projects identified in State or local hazard mitigation plans
- Enable mitigation measures to be implemented during the immediate recovery from a disaster





## **404 Hazard Mitigation Funds**

- 404 Hazard Mitigation funds are utilized for reducing future damages
- 406 Public Assistance funds are utilized for repairing damages caused by declared disaster
- Any government owned properties or structures damaged during Hurricane Michael cannot be awarded under Hazard Mitigation and should apply for Public Assistance funds.





#### How Much Money is Available for DR4400?

## HMGP funds based on federal funds spent on Public and Individual Assistance programs (less administrative expenses)

- Georgia receives 20% of the total estimated Stafford Act Disaster Assistance
  - > State of Georgia Enhanced Mitigation Plan provides for 20% HMGP funding (33% increase)
- Cost Share is 75% federal/25% non-federal
  - > State will provide 10% of eligible costs for IA/PA declared counties only
- Will use up to 7% of allocation for planning, up to 5% for initiative, and remainder for projects.
- Current Estimate at \$57.3 million Federal Share
  - Initiative \$2.86 million
  - Planning \$4 million
  - Projects \$50.44 million





## **DR-4400 Funding Priorities**

- Utilize 5% initiative to support warning and communication improvements and state wide generator initiative
  - Equipment and systems for the purpose of warning residents of impending severe weather and hazard events
    - Priority given to mass alert systems
- Utilize planning funds (up to 7% of allocation) to update mitigation plans
- Utilize project funds (up to 88% of allocation) for mitigation activities that reduce or eliminate damages from high winds and flooding.



## **DR-4400 Funding Priorities**

#### **Counties with approved Hazard Mitigation Plans**

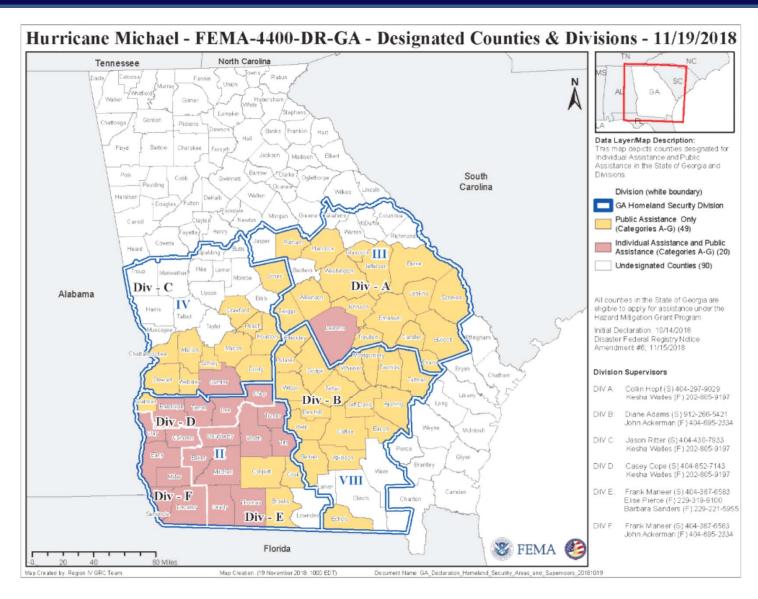
- 1. Declared for both IA and PA (20 counties)
- 2. Declared for PA only (49 counties)
- 3. All Non-Declared counties

#### **Prioritization for Project Grants**

- 1. Generators for essential facilities (Water and Wastewater systems and medical facilities have priority)
- 2. Flood and wind mitigation activities



#### **Declared Counties**

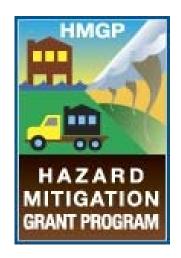




#### What Type of Projects Can be Funded?

#### Eligible Project Types

- Voluntary property acquisition and structure demolition or relocation\*
- Structure Elevation\*
- Mitigation Reconstruction
- Dry Floodproofing (Historic/Non-Residential)
- Generators for Critical Facilities\*
- Flood Risk Reduction Projects
- Structural and non-structural retrofitting of existing buildings and facilities
- Safe room construction\*
- Infrastructure Retrofit
- Soil Stabilization
- Wildfire Mitigation
- Initiative Projects\*
- State and Local plan updates\*





## **Applicant's Role (Subrecipient)**

#### **Pre-Award:**

- Develops, adopts and updates local mitigation plan
- Submits HMGP Pre-Application/Application to GEMA/HS

#### **Post-Award:**

- Implements project and maintains records and accounting information on awarded projects for three (3) years
- Ensures all project costs are reasonable and in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local requirements governing the use of federal funds
- Complies with all Local, State and Federal Procurement Procedures
  - 2CFR Part 200 (Code of Federal Regulations)
- Complies with all award requirements
- Complies with three (3) year post Acquisition requirements
  - Open Space Monitoring and Audits

#### **Manages overall program within Georgia**

- Update the State Mitigation Plan
- Establish mitigation priorities for the disaster
- Solicit Program Interest
- Provide technical assistance to applicants to complete applications
- Review, submit and manage applications to FEMA
- Keep Subrecipients updated on status of all applications to FEMA
- Ensure subrecipients adhere to all program and administrative requirements
- Receive and disburse funds and monitor progress of awarded projects
- Evaluate the effectiveness of approved projects



#### FEMA's Role (Federal Awarding Agency)

- Provide programmatic oversight of the HMGP
- Keep Georgia appraised of available funding
- Provide technical assistance to GEMA/HS in support of developing eligible HMGP projects
- Conduct final eligibility review and approve applications for funding
  - Can take up to 12 months to complete review process





#### Who is Eligible to Apply?

- Government Entities
  - State and local
- Private Non-Profit Organizations
  - Must have IRS Tax Exemption under sections 501(c), (d), or (e)
- Individuals and business may not apply directly, but eligible local governments or private non-profit organizations may apply on their behalf





#### **Project Eligibility Criteria**

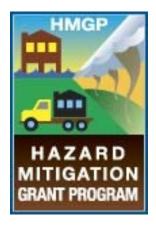
- Localities must have current FEMA approved Local Hazard Mitigation Plan prior to HMGP funds being awarded
- Consistent with state and local mitigation plans
- Project(s) must be identified in local mitigation plan
- Project must comply with all FEMA program regulations
- Conforms with environmental, historical, and economic justice issues
- Provides a long-term solution for the community
- Applicant must participate in NFIP and be in good standing
- Demonstrates cost-effectiveness
  - GEMA/HS staff assists with cost-effectiveness

- October 14, 2018 Disaster Declaration (HMGP Statewide)
- July 31, 2019 Pre-Application due to GEMA/HS
- August 30, 2019 GEMA/HS Notification to Applicant for Full Application
- October 31, 2019 Full Application due to GEMA/HS
- January 10, 2020 All Applications submitted to FEMA
- FEMA Application Review Process (up to 12 months)

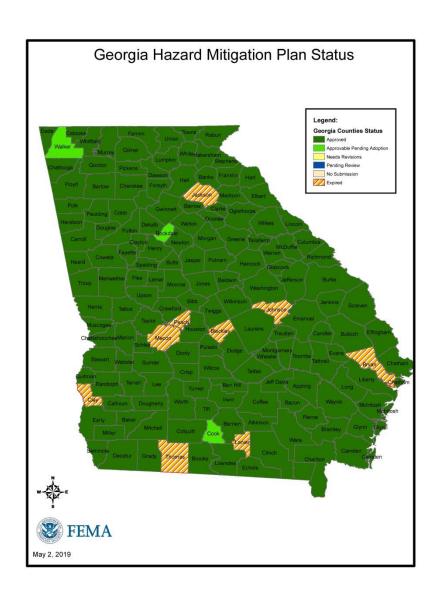


#### **HMGP Plan Update Grant Process**

- Any county requiring a plan update in 2022 has already received an application.
- Declared counties expiring in 2023 will receive an application from their Hazard Mitigation Planner.
  - Pre-application not required
  - Expect application by July 1, 2019
  - Completed application by August 30, 2019

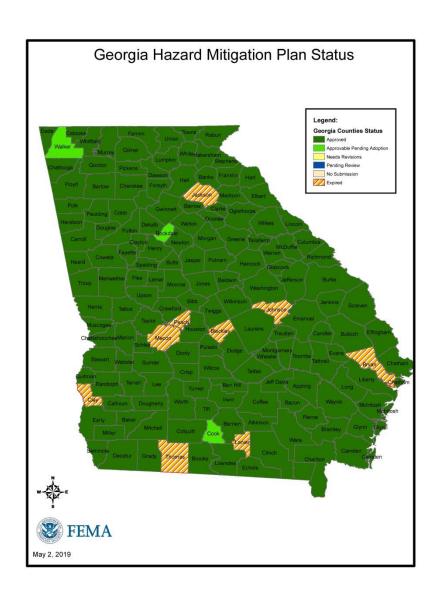






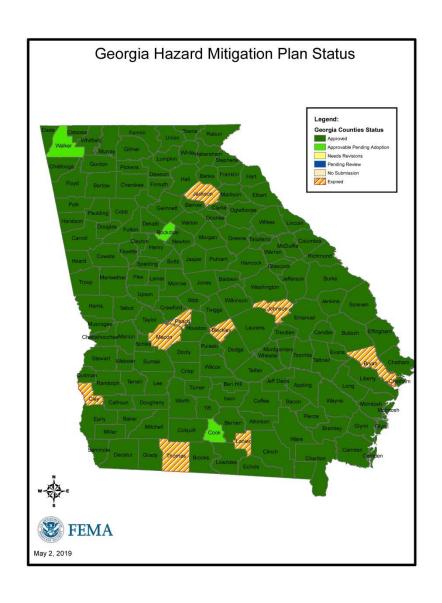
County	HazMit Plan Expiration Date
Banks	6/17/2023
Barrow	9/9/2020
Clarke	7/24/2023
Elbert	7/6/2022
Franklin	3/18/2024
Greene	2/26/2024
Habersham	9/8/2024
Hall	8/24/2022
Hart	7/21/2021
Jackson	2/27/2019
Lincoln	7/13/2020
Lumpkin	11/16/2021
Madison	5/25/2024
Morgan	9/13/2022
Newton	7/14/2020
Oconee	5/6/2019
Oglethorpe	10/28/2019
Rabun	8/27/2023
Stephens	5/6/2019
Towns	3/24/2024
Union	7/12/2021
Walton	5/9/2021
White	7/21/2021
Wilkes	1/28/2024





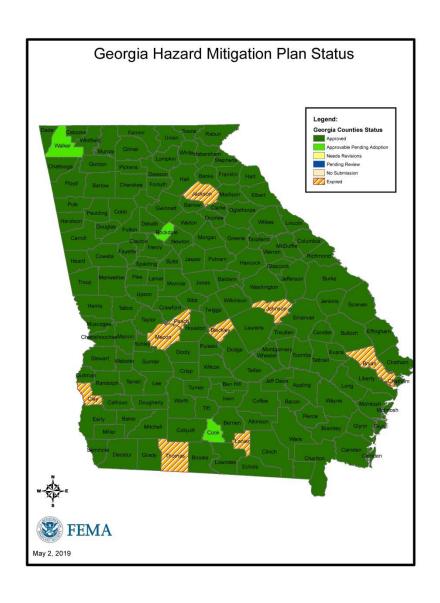
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Baker	8/22/2021
Brooks	3/25/2024
Calhoun	2/21/2022
Clay	5/23/2018
Colquitt	6/7/2020
Cook	2/18/2019
Crisp	2/22/2021
Decatur	5/1/2022
Dougherty	3/28/2021
Early	6/14/2022
Grady	8/6/2019
Lee	2/4/2021
Lowndes	2/8/2022
Miller	7/25/2021
Mitchell	1/26/2022
Quitman	10/2/2023
Randolph	8/22/2019
Seminole	4/8/2023
Terrell	3/4/2024
Thomas	8/26/2018
Tift	9/23/2022
Turner	11/3/2023
Worth	1/3/2022





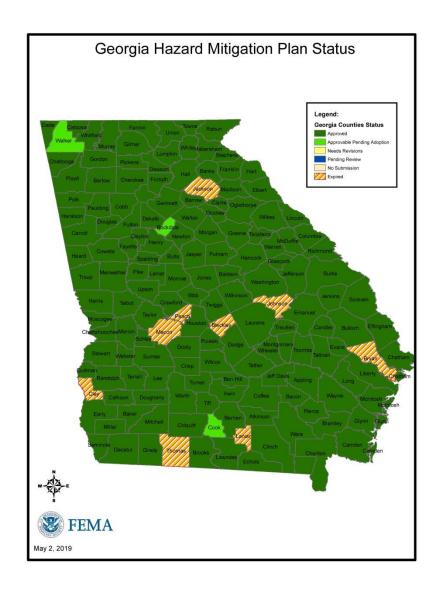
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Baldwin	8/2/2023
Bulloch	7/19/2020
Burke	1/4/2020
Candler	12/8/2019
Columbia	11/10/2021
Emanuel	10/19/2020
Evans	10/14/2020
Glascock	12/20/2023
Hancock	4/6/2020
Jasper	5/25/2020
Jefferson	12/29/2019
Jenkins	1/7/2020
Johnson	6/26/2018
Laurens	9/21/2021
McDuffie	10/10/2022
Putnam	11/21/2022
Richmond	10/10/2022
Screven	6/8/2020
Taliaferro	6/7/2020
Treutlen	12/14/2020
Twiggs	6/5/2019
Warren	12/18/2023
Washington	2/12/2024
Wilkinson	7/1/2019





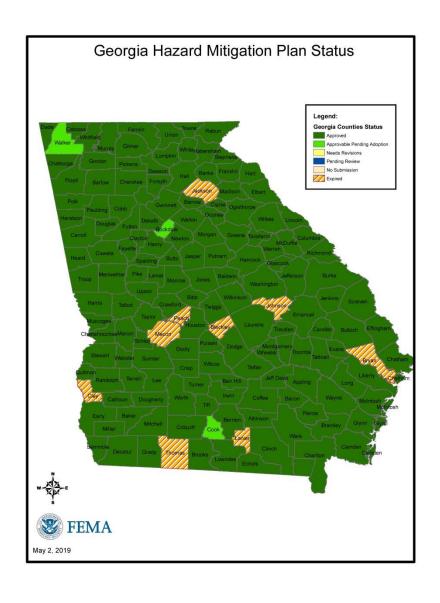
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Bibb	8/30/2021
Butts	3/9/2020
Chattahoochee	3/22/2023
Crawford	7/25/2018
Dooly	8/26/2020
Harris	1/7/2021
Houston	1/11/2021
Jones	2/23/2021
Lamar	1/6/2021
Macon	12/3/2018
Marion	6/18/2020
Meriwether	7/27/2020
Monroe	8/9/2022
Muscogee	10/28/2023
Peach	5/1/2019
Pike	5/6/2020
Schley	10/16/2021
Spalding	2/22/2022
Stewart	9/3/2019
Sumter	4/20/2020
Talbot	6/8/2021
Taylor	1/16/2024
Troup	8/18/2024
Upson	9/6/2021
Webster	9/7/2020





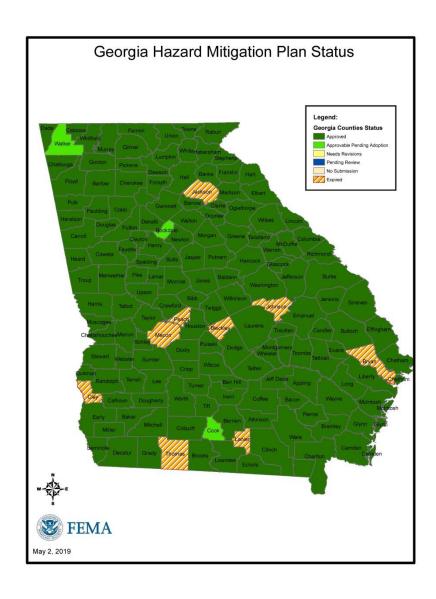
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Brantley	12/16/2023
Bryan	4/28/2019
Camden	11/9/2021
Charlton	10/23/2023
Chatham	2/4/2021
Effingham	10/28/2023
Glynn	10/9/2023
Liberty	11/14/2021
Long	8/29/2022
McIntosh	2/19/2024
Pierce	12/10/2023
Wayne	10/11/2022





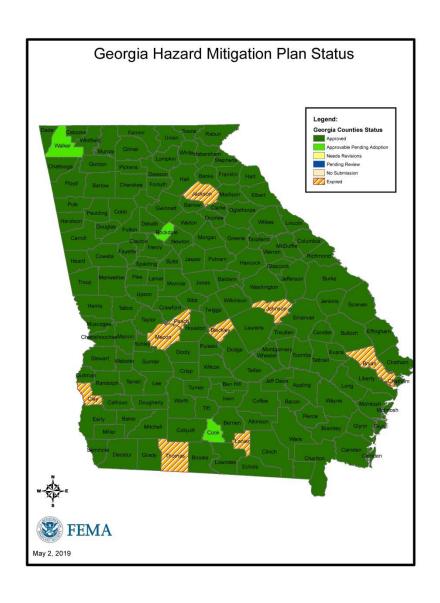
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Bartow	1/9/2022
Carroll	7/31/2021
Catoosa	10/17/2022
Chattooga	2/13/2022
Cherokee	2/15/2022
Coweta	3/7/2024
Dade	4/10/2020
Dawson	3/11/2024
Fannin	12/19/2022
Floyd	1/4/2022
Forsyth	9/4/2022
Gilmer	1/27/2024
Gordon	12/20/2022
Haralson	6/5/2023
Heard	9/5/2022
Murray	7/10/2023
Paulding	5/1/2022
Pickens	5/11/2024
Polk	10/21/2023
Walker	7/10/2017
Whitfield	1/7/2023





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Clayton	8/2/2022
Cobb	12/11/2021
DeKalb	2/28/2022
Douglas	6/12/2021
Fayette	9/2/2020
Fulton	2/28/2022
Gwinnett	8/18/2020
Henry	4/10/2024
Rockdale	2/20/2019





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Appling	6/10/2019
Atkinson	4/14/2024
Bacon	12/10/2023
Ben Hill	6/16/2019
Berrien	6/10/2019
Bleckley	3/11/2019
Clinch	4/7/2020
Coffee	5/4/2024
Dodge	8/11/2019
Echols	3/17/2024
Irwin	4/16/2024
Jeff Davis	11/18/2019
Lanier	3/19/2019
Montgomery	8/26/2020
Pulaski	1/11/2021
Tattnall	6/14/2020
Telfair	7/24/2019
Toombs	8/6/2019
Ware	12/12/2023
Wheeler	11/3/2019
Wilcox	4/15/2020



#### **HMGP Projects Pre-Application Process**

#### From Applicant (Subrecipient):

- Determine preferred project type(s)
  - Project identified in your Local Hazard Mitigation Plan?
- Complete Pre-Application Template
  - Contact Risk Reduction Specialist or visit GEMA/HS Website
- Submit COMPLETED Pre-Application to GEMA/HS by March 1, 2019

#### From GEMA/HS (Recipient & Pass Through):

- Conduct Benefit Cost Analysis
  - Initiative, planning, and SD projects are exempt from BCA
  - If BCA greater than 1.0, full application development may be recommended



#### **Generators/Transfer Switches**

- For Critical Facilities
  - Police Stations, Fire Stations, Water/Wastewater Treatment Facilities, Hospital, Electrical Facility, Emergency Operations Center (EOC), etc.
- Location to determine if in Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)
  - Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)
  - Must comply with E0 11988
  - If in SFHA, generator/transfer switch must be elevated to 500 year flood elevation
- Power Outage History
  - Must have minimum of three years weather related outage data
- Generator Data Sheet to be filled out by Certified Electrician
- EHP Coordination with State and Federal Environmental Agencies
- BCA > 1.0 for Cost Effectiveness



#### **Property Acquisition/Elevation:**

- Flood History of Property with all Flood Insurance Claims
- Substantial damage determination (if applicable)
- Location to determine if in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)
  - Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)
- Interest of Voluntary Participation Form signed by Homeowner
- EHP Coordination with State and Federal Environmental Agencies
- Structure Specific Information
  - Building Foundation Type, Use of Building, Square Footage, Building Replacement Value, First Flood Elevation (FFE)

#### **Initiative**

- Includes Warning Sirens, Mass Alert Systems, Weather Radios and Transfer Switches
- Warning and Communication for the Public, Internal Communication not allowable
- Storm History of desired project area
- Location to determine if in Special Flood Hazard Area (Warning Sirens and Transfer Switches only)
  - Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)
- EHP Coordination with State and Federal Environmental Agencies



#### **Community Safe Room:**

- Must comply with FEMA P-361 Community Safe Room Guidance
- Location to determine if in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)
  - Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)
- Population that will utilize Safe Room
  - Must be sized for population within ½ mile of Safe Room
    - 5 sf/occupant
  - Predominant structure types within ½ mile of Safe Room
- EHP Coordination with State and Federal Environmental Agencies



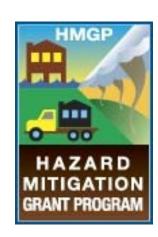
#### **Wildfire Projects BCA Information**

- For Reforestation and Soil Stabilization Projects
  - Number of Acres Mitigated
- For Defensible Space, Hazardous Fuel Reduction, Ignition Resistant Construction
  - Number of buildings protected
  - Replacement value of buildings protected
  - Value of infrastructure vulnerable to fire in project area
  - Value of timber to be sold in project area
  - Fire suppression costs for one typical fire event within project area
  - Number of residents who live within the project area
- BCA > 1.0 for Cost Effectiveness
- Operations and Maintenance Plan required
- Duplication of Programs must be avoided



## **Next Steps**

- Determine Eligible Projects for your Community
- Work with EMA Director and Local Officials
- Consult your Risk Reduction Specialist or Planning Specialist
- Review Project Checklist
- Submit Pre-Application by July 31, 2019





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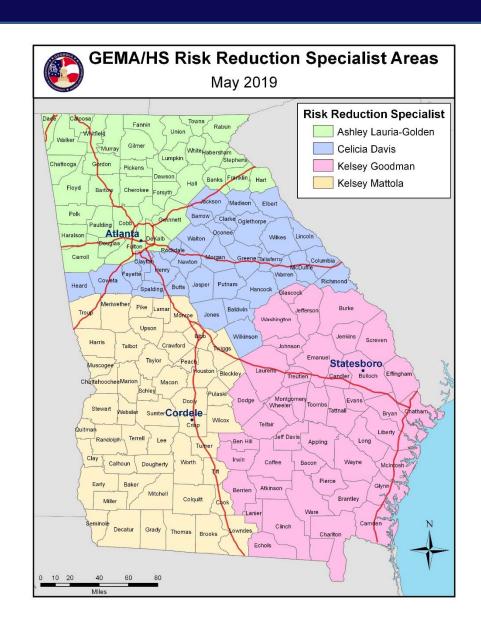
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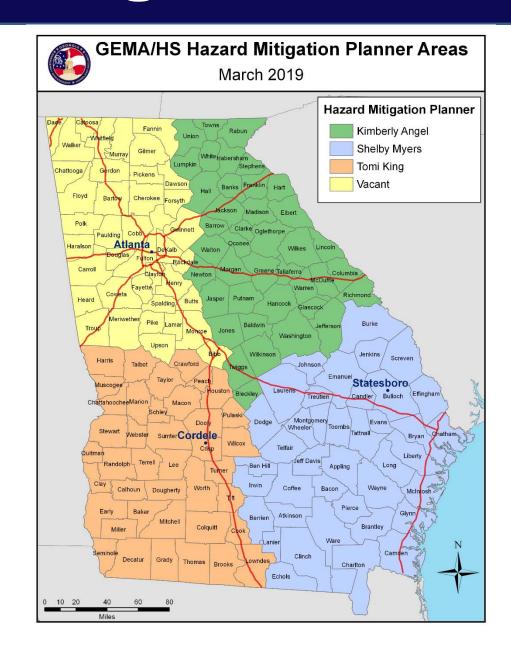


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