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- Projects that are approved as part of a major disaster declaration may be eligible for additional mitigation funding under Section 406 of the Stafford Act.
- 406 mitigation is a cost share-based program available to help mitigate future damages to sites that were damaged as a direct result of a disaster.
- 406 mitigation measures improve on pre-disaster design and function.
- Hazard Mitigation Proposals are submitted with the project worksheet and describe the scope and cost of the proposed mitigation measures.
406 Mitigation Costs

• Mitigation cost share is the same as PA project cost share; 75% Federal/25% applicant.

• Mitigation proposals must be cost effective.
  • Some proposed mitigation can cost no more than 15% of the total project cost.
  • May need a benefit cost analysis.

• Appendix J of the PAPPG lists mitigation measures eligible for costs up to 100% of the total project cost.
Appendix J provides examples of mitigation measures that are already proven to be cost effective.

Mitigation measures listed in Appendix J may cost up to 100% of the eligible project costs.

For example, if the cost to return a site to pre-disaster conditions is $25,000, approved mitigation may cost up to an additional $25,000.
Mitigation Proposals

• All permanent work Public Assistance projects can be evaluated for possible mitigation measures.
• Possible mitigation can be identified as early as the damage inventory.
• A Hazard Mitigation Proposal will be attached to the project and evaluated by FEMA mitigation staff.
• Hazard Mitigation work must comply with the same rules and regulations that all Public Assistance projects adhere to.
• FEMA Environment and Historic Preservation (EHP) staff will also review mitigation proposals for compliance.
Other Mitigation Programs

- Other mitigation programs are available to help make your infrastructure more resilient.
- SDOEM staff administers the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, the NFIA FMA program, and helps applicants with their BRIC plans.

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**Disaster-related program**

**PA Program**
- PA: Mitigation of incident caused damage
- Funding: Available for disaster-damaged facilities only

**HMA Programs**

**Disaster-related program**
- HMG: Multi-hazard, statewide mitigation
- Funding: Available for damaged and non-damaged facilities based on a percentage of dollars obligated to the PA and IA programs

**Non-disaster-related programs**
- FMA: Flood mitigation for insured properties
- BRIC: Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities

**NOTE:**
- PA = Public Assistance
- HMA = Hazard Mitigation Assistance
- HMG = Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
- FMA = Flood Mitigation Assistance
- BRIC = Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities
- IA = Individual Assistance

* See exception for Alternative Procedure Projects in Chapter 2, Section VII.G.4(c).
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