



## AGENDA ITEM

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### TITLE

Ratification of Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Application to Department of Emergency Management for Federal Emergency Management Agency for Disaster Assistance Resulting From Hurricane Ian for Culbreath Road Area Flood Relief Project

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### BRIEF OVERVIEW

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) awarded over \$800 Million in Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding as a result of Hurricane Ian, with Hernando County being allocated \$1,800,482.61.

The Florida Department of Emergency Management (FDEM) is working with FEMA to administer the program. Projects are sent to FDEM for review of program compliance. Once completed, FDEM will recommend projects to FEMA for funding consideration.

If a municipality does not apply or if their project is not deemed eligible, those allocated funds are available for other approved municipalities' projects as seen fit by FDEM.

The Culbreath Road project is currently in the final stages of design and is on the FY24 CIP. This project will allow for a flood-prone section of Culbreath Road to be raised along with related construction work. Hernando County applied for \$2,287,500 in HMGP Federal Assistance for this project with the County contributing \$746,500 in Cash Match from Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU) funds and \$16,000 in In-Kind services.

Grant Policy 15-01 provides an allowance for the County Administrator to approve submittal of grant applications when time constraints exist. Due to time constraints, this grant application was submitted on August 24, 2023, with the approval of the County Administrator. In accordance with Grant Policy 15-0,1 the grant application is being brought to the Board for ratification of the grant application.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

None at this time. If this project is awarded, this project will receive up to \$2,287,500 towards construction to support the County's improvements of Culbreath Road. There is a 25% match required that will be funded by the Stormwater MSTU.

### LEGAL NOTE

The Board is authorized to act on this matter pursuant to Chapter 125, Florida Statutes.

### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board ratify the application for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant

Program funds for construction and related services on the Culbreath Road Project.

## REVIEW PROCESS

Donald Carey	Approved	09/19/2023	3:44 PM
Lillian Hoyt	Approved	09/20/2023	8:25 AM
Elaine Singer	Approved	09/21/2023	6:42 AM
Todd Crosby	Approved	09/21/2023	6:55 AM
Carla Rossiter-Smith	Approved	09/27/2023	10:26 AM
Toni Brady	Approved	09/27/2023	2:41 PM
Pamela Hare	Approved	09/27/2023	4:18 PM
Jon Jouben	Approved	09/29/2023	11:41 AM
Heidi Kurppe	Approved	10/03/2023	9:14 AM
Jeffrey Rogers	Approved	10/04/2023	8:17 AM
Colleen Conko	Approved	10/04/2023	8:21 AM

**RESULT: ADOPTED**

**MOVER:** Elizabeth Narverud

**SECONDER:** Jerry Campbell

Allocco, Narverud, Champion, Campbell and Hawkins