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Mr. Pete Phillips
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Dear Mr. Phillips:

Pursuant to the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013 (the Act), the Department has awarded a grant of \$5,061,000 in Community Development Block Grant disaster recovery (CDBG-DR) funds to the State of Texas (grant number B-13-DS-48-0001). On December 5, 2013, the Department executed a grant agreement that obligated \$5,061,000 of this grant to the State of Texas (Round 1 obligation). Pursuant to the requirements of the Act, these obligated funds must be expended within 24 months following obligation. For the State of Texas, all funds under the above obligation must be expended by December 5, 2015, unless an extension of that deadline is provided.


On May 11, 2015, the Department published a *Federal Register* Notice outlining the process and criteria for a grantee receiving funds under the Act to receive an extension of an expenditure deadline (78 FR 26942). On September 4, 2015, the State of Texas submitted the CDBG-DR Expenditure Deadline Extension Request as required by the Notice, with a request to extend the expenditure deadline for the remaining balance of funding for General Land Office (GLO) Admin Services activity. HUD approved the request and allowed the grantee the opportunity to continue drawing funds against that activity through July 30, 2016.

Subsequent to that extension, GLO requested and was granted an Action Plan Amendment. Under that amendment, HUD granted GLO authority to adjust \$200,000 from the GLO Admin Services activity into a new infrastructure activity to fund a radio tower in Bastrop County. As required by the *Federal Register* Notice, GLO has submitted a revised extension request in order to modify the use of grant funds that had been extended.

The Department is approving the State of Texas' request to modify the initial extension. The GLO may adjust the DRGR Action Plan in support of Action Plan Amendment #1. Funding for the new infrastructure activity will be available for drawdown through July 30, 2016.

Thank you for your interest in the Department's programs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marion Mollegen McFadden". To the left of the signature is a small, stylized handwritten mark that resembles the letter "A".

Marion Mollegen McFadden
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Grant Programs

State of Texas



Plan for Disaster Recovery - Amendment No. 1 U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

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AMENDMENT No. 1 Reallocation of Funding

This document constitutes the First Amendment to the *State of Texas Plan for Disaster Recovery* (Action Plan) dated August 15, 2013 for CDBG disaster recovery funds related to the Wildfire disasters of 2011.

Changes contained in Action Plan Amendment No. 1 for Reallocation of Funding are highlighted. This Amendment will move funds into Infrastructure from State Administration. All other information, requirements, and certifications contained in the Action Plan remain in force unless addressed in this amendment.

Action Plan Amendment No. 1 will be posted for the required 7-day comment period. Recipients of the public comment period notice will include, but are not limited to, low income housing advocates and community organizations representing homeless and special needs populations, all mayors, county judges, and tribal leaders in the declared areas.

D. State Administered Disaster Recovery Program

II. Program Budget

State of Texas Appropriation	\$ 5,061,000.00
Bastrop County Infrastructure*	\$ 4,754,900.00
State Admin	\$ 53,050.00
State Planning and Project Delivery	\$ 225,426.92
HUD Restricted Funds	\$ 27,623.08
Total Allocation	\$ 5,061,000.00
*Allocation includes Project Delivery and Planning	

IV. Award Amount(s), Thresholds, and Award Process

As discussed above in the Needs Assessment section, based on the GLO's experience implementing the previous CDBG-DR wildfire appropriation, there is no remaining unmet need for housing within the FEMA DR-4029-TX affected area that will not be served in the initial wildfire allocation. Additionally, the paucity of applications for competitive infrastructure grants under the previous wildfire appropriation demonstrates the lack of infrastructure need within the FEMA DR-4029-TX affected counties, except Bastrop County.

a) Infrastructure

The award to Bastrop County will not be less than \$100,000 and will not exceed \$4,754,900.