



**Performance Note**  
**HB0305 - Post Disaster Recovery**  
**and Mitigation Restricted**  
**Account**  
Sponsor: Rep. McKell, Michael K.



**Performance Note Report**

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Agency: Department of Public Safety

**Funding For:**

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New Services or Benefit

Serving a New or Larger Population

**Public Benefit:**

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**Purpose:** To create a post disaster recovery and mitigation account that can be utilized by local jurisdictions for costs incurred from the response and recovery activities associated with an emergency or disaster. The program will be implemented by the Utah Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management including rulemaking, financial oversight, damage assessments, project approval, and closeout.

**Services:** The State will have its first program established to assist local jurisdictions with their efforts to recover from disasters and further mitigate post disaster effects on the communities. The bill and its funding will assist local jurisdictions in their efforts to provide life safety and emergency services to those areas and residents affected by a disaster that reaches the level of being declared an emergency.

**Expected Outcome:** To provide local jurisdictions with a mechanism to be reimbursed for expenses incurred from responding and recovering from an emergency or disaster. The local jurisdiction would be able to implement post disaster mitigation measures to reduce the risk of future impacts to life safety and public infrastructure.

**Implementations and Resources:** The Utah Department of Public Safety - Division of Emergency Management will implement provisions of this bill with funding from the restricted account that will only go to local authorities and ongoing funding for agency expenses to administer the program

**How:** The local jurisdictions will have another resource to assist them in responding and recovering from a disaster that may not reach the level of receiving Federal assistance. The mitigation grants will further prevent the ongoing effects of the initial disaster. This program would meet the request of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to have the state and local governments provide more commitment when it comes to disaster preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation.

**Performance Measures**

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## Goal

Title: State Public Assistance Eligibility.

Description: The State will determine eligibility based upon the four basic components of a State Public Assistance Program: Eligible Applicant - Local government entities Eligible Facility - Local government owned facilities and infrastructure Eligible Work - Local government incurred costs for emergency work and permanent (restoration) work. There are 7 categories of eligible work. Eligible Cost - Local government costs must be incurred by an eligible applicant, must be incurred on an eligible facility, must fall within one of the 7 categories of eligible work, and must be documented and meet state procurement and finance guidelines.

Collection Method: Performance will be determined by applications received and auditing the grant expenditures to ensure the funds are spent appropriately. We do not have benchmarks or targets because we would only spend these funds when disasters happen and applications are received.

	2019	2020	2021
Target	0.00	0.00	0.00
Baseline	0.00	0.00	0.00

## Goal

Title: State Mitigation Eligibility.

Description: The State will determine eligibility based upon the following requirements of a State Mitigation Program: Eligible Applicant - Local government entities Eligible Activity - Local government entities must only apply for mitigation projects that are identified in the eligible activities table as defined by the State. Cost Effectiveness - Local government entities must complete a benefit-cost analysis (BCA). Feasibility and Effectiveness - Local government entities must be feasible and effective through conformance with accepted engineering practices, established codes, standards, modeling, techniques, or best practices.

Collection Method: Performance will be determined by applications received and auditing the grant expenditures to ensure the funds are spent appropriately. We do not have benchmarks or targets because we would only spend these funds when disasters happen and applications are received.

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