

Memorandum



Date: January 28, 2022

To: Honorable Chairman Jose “Pepe” Diaz
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Daniella Levine Cava *Daniella Levine Cava*
Mayor

Subject: **Status Report on FEMA Reimbursements for Hurricane Irma – Directive No. 182307**

Pursuant to a Board directive, attached as Exhibit I is the December 2021 monthly report regarding the status of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursements of County expenditures incurred in response to Hurricane Irma. In summary, of \$257 million expended, \$242 million has been obligated to date and \$202 million collected.

Background

On September 10, 2017, Hurricane Irma made landfall in South Florida. In anticipation of landfall, the President of the United States declared a Federal Emergency on September 4, 2017, which allowed Miami-Dade to seek Federal and State grants for reimbursement of actual hurricane-related expenditures. The County anticipates that it will incur about \$257 million of Hurricane Irma expenditures overall. These projected expenditures constitute 223 distinct projects as of December 31, 2021. As FEMA continues its review process, estimate and cost share allocations may change.

As of December 31, 2021, FEMA has obligated \$231 million in federal funding with \$11 million in state funding. FEMA and the State of Florida have actually paid \$202 million to the County.

Should you require additional information, please feel free to contact Controller Madelin Rizzo at 305-375-5096 or Chief Financial Officer/Finance Director Edward Marquez at 305-375-1451.

Pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65, this memorandum will be placed on the next available Board Meeting agenda.

Attachment

c:

Honorable Harvey Ruvlin, Clerk of the Courts
Geri Bonzon-Keenan, County Attorney
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Exhibit I
Status of FEMA Reimbursements
As of December 31, 2021

FEMA Reimbursement Category	Current Projections per FEMA				Projects Submitted Pending FEMA Obligation (4a & 4b)	Obligated Projects per State	
	Current Projected County Expenditure(1)	Reimbursement Percentages		Projected Federal and State Reimbursements (3)		FEMA and State Funds	
		Federal (2)	State			Obligated(5)	Paid(6)
A Debris Removal							
Sept. 4, 2017 through Sept. 17, 2017	\$ 136,331	90.00%	5.0%	\$ 129,514	\$ -	\$ 129,514	\$ 128,673
Sept. 4, 2017 through Sept. 17, 2017	3,122,581	92.00%	4.0%	2,997,678	-	2,743,709	2,446,227
Sept. 18, 2017 through Oct. 17, 2017	-	90.00%	5.0%	-	-	-	-
Sept. 18, 2017 through Oct. 17, 2017	41,970,852	92.00%	4.0%	40,292,018	-	40,292,018	39,537,191
Oct. 18, 2017 onward	130,011,858	90.00%	5.0%	123,511,265	-	123,511,265	120,276,777
Oct. 18, 2017 onward	5,540,897	92.00%	4.0%	5,319,261	-	4,378,541	4,356,844
B Emergency Protective Measures							
Sept. 4, 2017 through Oct. 3, 2017	21,150,489	100.00%	0.0%	21,150,489	2,754	21,147,438	20,256,771 *
Oct. 4, 2017 onward	4,554,330	90.00%	5.0%	4,326,614	-	4,326,613	3,204,534
C Roads and Bridges	14,467,855	90.00%	5.0%	13,744,462	-	13,744,462	3,202,381
D Water Control Facilities	-	90.00%	5.0%	-	-	-	-
E Buildings and Equipment	9,783,760	90.00%	5.0%	9,294,572	150,999	9,151,123	5,091,749
F Utilities	6,701,679	90.00%	5.0%	6,366,595	-	6,366,595	774,162
G Parks, Recreational Facilities, and Other Items	9,259,921	90.00%	5.0%	8,796,925	1,861,884	7,028,136	1,967,748
Z Direct Administrative Costs	10,516,063	90.00%	5.0%	9,990,260	-	9,990,260	1,269,366
Total	<u>\$ 257,216,616</u>			<u>\$ 245,919,653</u>	<u>\$ 2,015,637</u>	<u>\$ 242,809,674</u>	<u>\$ 202,512,423</u>

(1) The projected expenditures consist of 223 distinct projects as of 12/31/21. As FEMA continues to review and estimate, cost share allocations may change.

(2) 14 projects have a Federal cost share of 92% because they participated in the Public Assistance Alternative Procedures Pilot Program for Debris Removal.

(3) As per **Amendment No.18 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration** issued by FEMA on August 23, 2019, all projects for all categories were authorized to be amended to 90 percent of total eligible costs, except assistance previously approved at 100%.

(4a) The \$2,015,637 total consists of 4 projects - 33778, 35457, 37519, and 80941 - that have been submitted to FEMA and the State but that have not been obligated.

(4b) 5 projects - 5204, 28919, 29346, 29768, and 136417 - were previously obligated by FEMA, but are undergoing additional rework so their status changed to 'Pending Obligation'. However, the State keeps them as 'Obligated' until FEMA makes a final determination.

(5) Obligated funds for 219 projects as of 12/31/21. The \$242,809,675.72 is comprised of \$231,662,837.53 in federal funding with \$11,146,838.19 in state funding.

(6) Payments received for 201 projects through 12/31/2021

* Project 28919, which is obligated, has expenses being transferred to 164028, a Category C project