

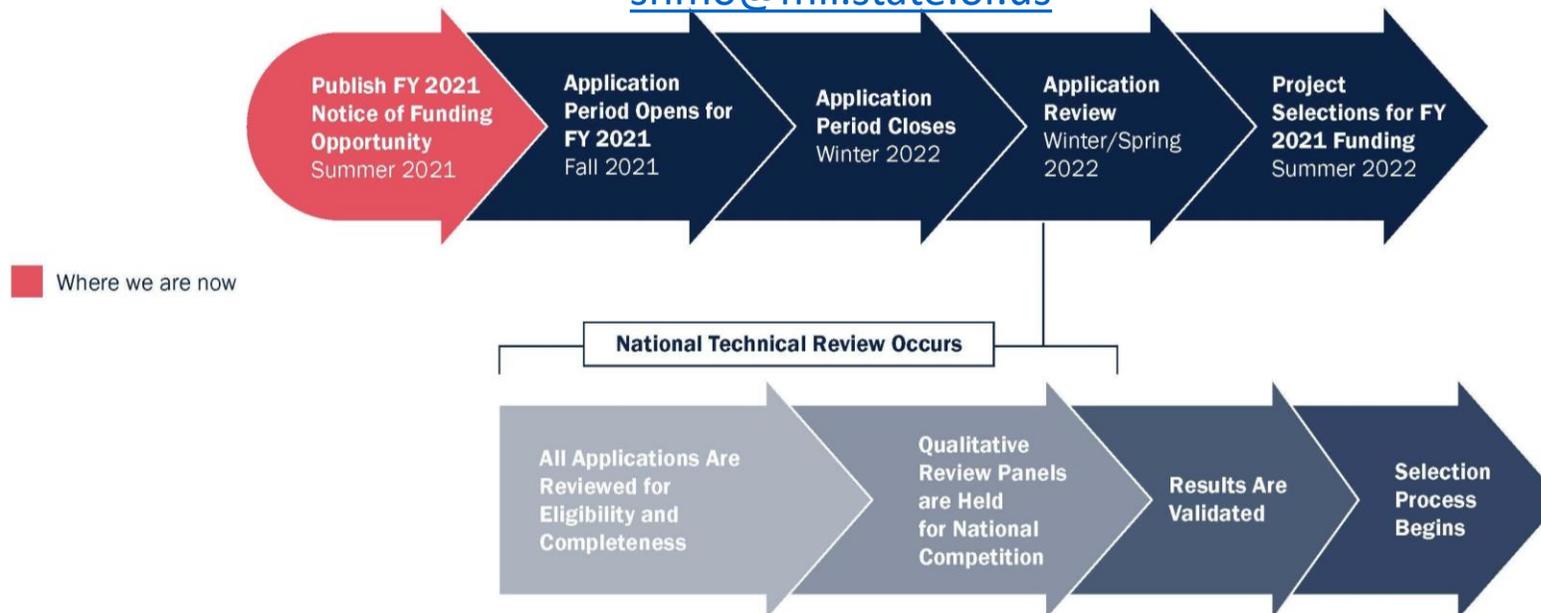
FY21 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) State of Oregon Guidance

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Mitigation Support

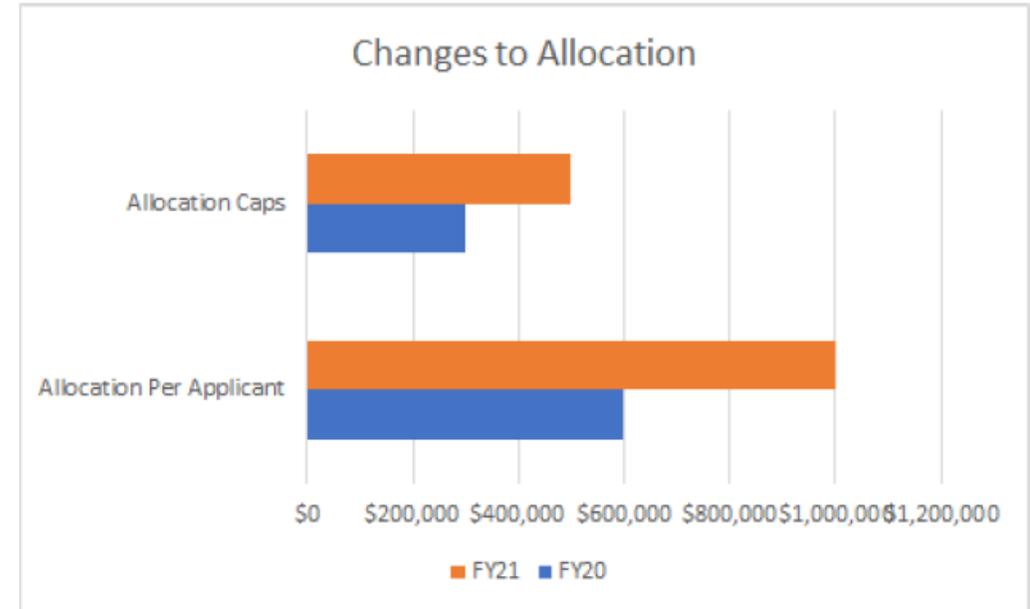
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Funding Overview

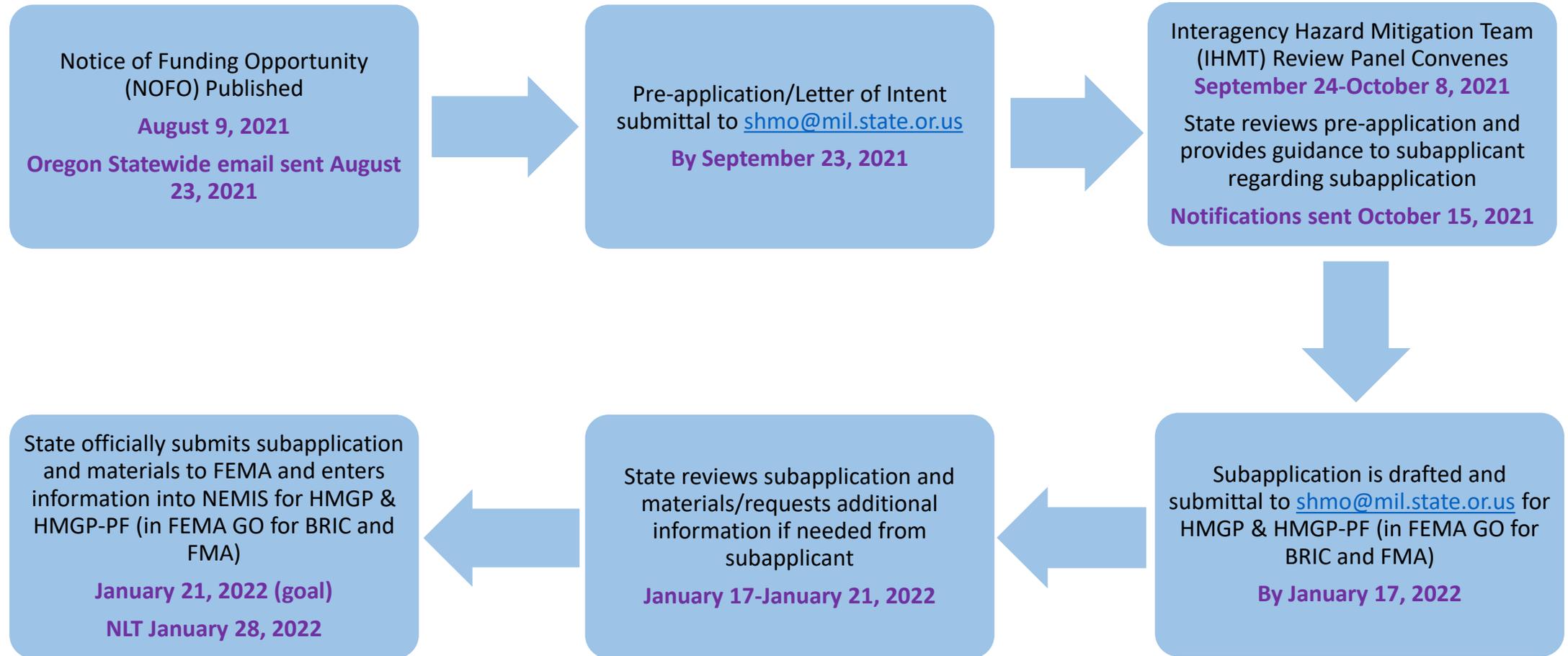
- Overall program funding: increase to \$1 billion
- Allocation per applicant: increase from \$600,000 to \$1 million
- Allocation caps: increase from \$300,000 to \$500,000 for mitigation planning
- Tribal set-aside: increase from \$20 million to \$25 million



Timeline

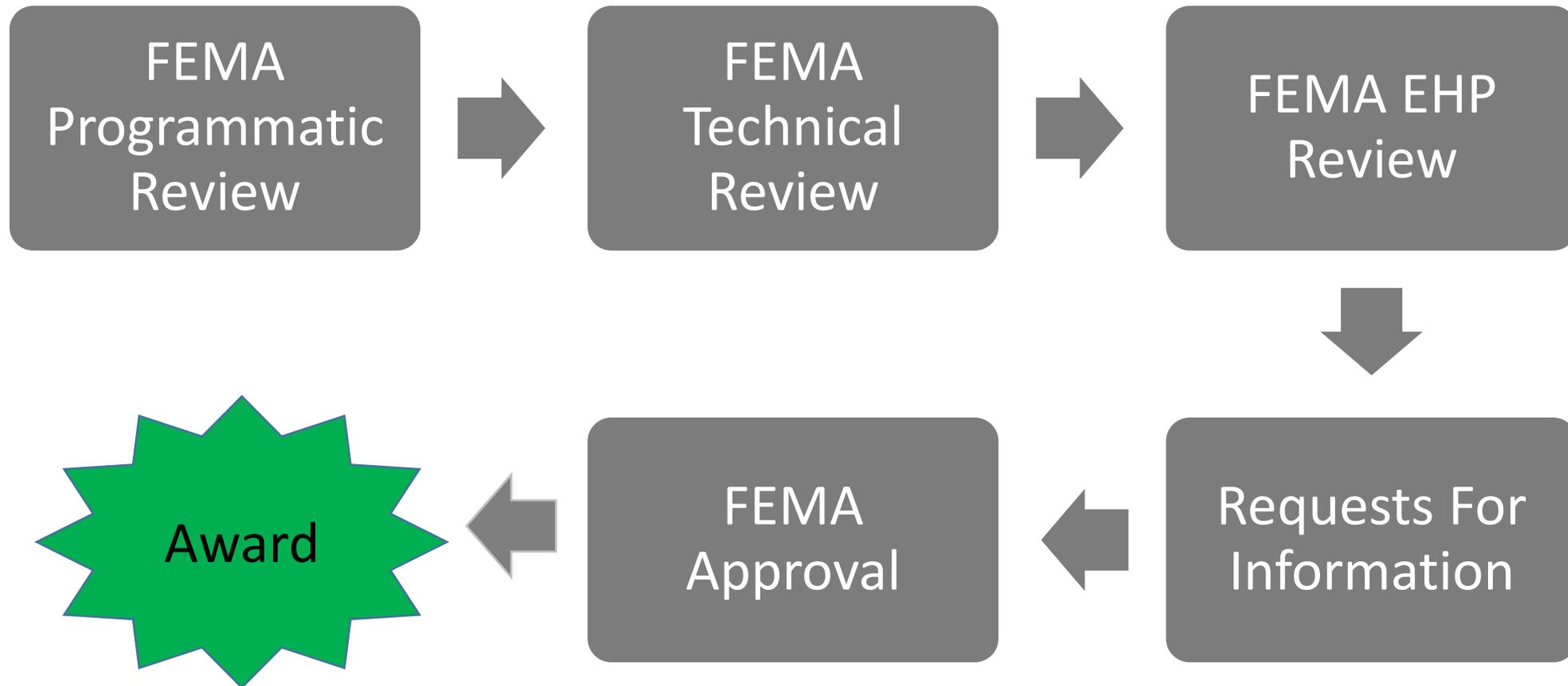
	FY21 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)
Notice of Funding Opportunity published by FEMA	August 9, 2021
Initial statewide guidance sent out	August 23, 2021
Pre-application due to shmo@mil.state.or.us	September 23, 2021
Interagency Hazard Mitigation Team (IHMT) review panel activation dates	September 24-October 8, 2021
Notifications for those moving forward in subapplication process to be sent by	October 15, 2021
Subapplication due in FEMA GO (by invitation only)	January 17, 2022
Goal for OEM to submit application	January 21, 2022
State application packet due to FEMA from SHMO via FEMA GO	January 28, 2022
Period of Performance End Date	36 months starting on the date of the recipient's federal award
State set-aside amount	\$1,000,000.00
Project cap amount (national competitive only)	\$50,000,000.00
National competition total amount	\$919,000,000.00

Subapplication Timeline: State

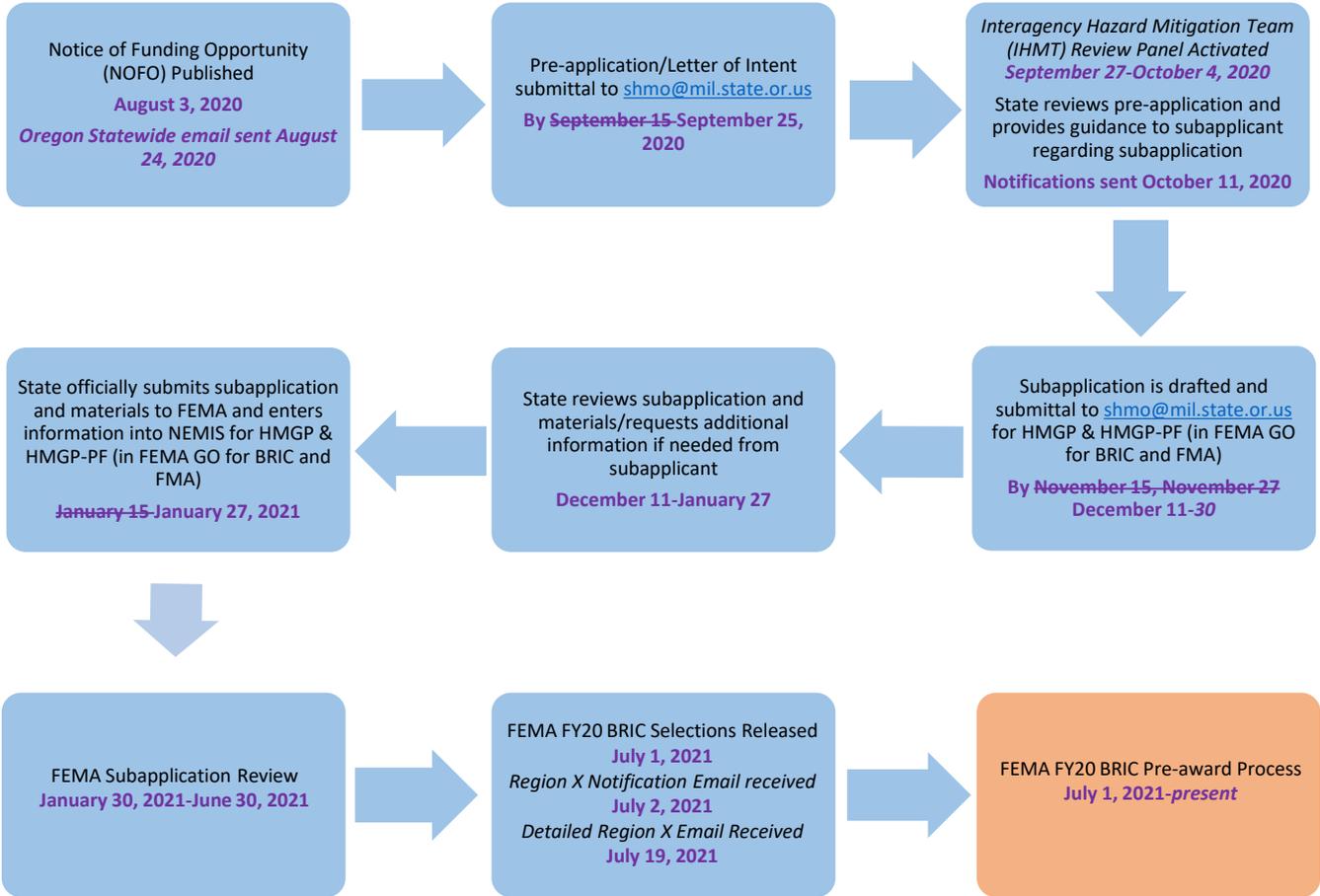


Subapplication Timeline: FEMA

This process can take **10-18 months**.



FY20 BRIC Subapplication Timeline



Hazard Mitigation Plan Requirement

- Subapplicants are required to have a FEMA-approved Local or Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with 44 C.F.R. Part 201 by the application deadline and at the time of obligation of grant funds for mitigation projects and C&CB activities (with the exception of mitigation planning).
- Mitigation plan integration, while not required, is encouraged. See section H.14 for additional information in NOFO.

Priorities

- For FY2021, the priorities for the program are to incentivize natural hazard risk reduction activities that
 - mitigate risk to public infrastructure and disadvantaged communities as referenced in EO 14008;
 - mitigate risk to one or more community lifelines;
 - incorporate nature-based solutions;
 - enhance climate resilience and adaptation; and
 - to increase funding to applicants that facilitate the adoption and enforcement of the latest published editions of building codes.

BRIC State Allocation

- The maximum allocation for a state or territory under this category is **\$1,000,000**, covering all activities/projects.
- Each state/territory may apply for up to \$1,000,000 in the State/Territory Allocation. The State/Territory Allocation may be used for C&CB activities and/or mitigation projects. The combined cost for any C&CB activities and/or mitigation projects under the State/Territory Allocation must not exceed \$1,000,000 federal cost share per applicant. Additionally, the applicant's highest ranked subapplication (C&CB activity or mitigation project) for the State/Territory Allocation must not exceed \$1,000,000 federal cost share.
- Up to **\$500,000** of the State/Territory Allocation may be used for mitigation **planning and planning-related activities** per applicant.
- Up to **10** percent of any subapplication may be **used for information dissemination activities, including public awareness and education (brochures, workshops, videos, etc.) related to a proposed C&CB activity or mitigation project.**

BRIC National Competition Cap

- Applicants (states) may submit an unlimited number of mitigation project sub-applications **each valued up to \$50,000,000** federal share to the national competition.

BRIC Activities

1) Capability- and Capacity-Building (C&CB)

- Activities which enhance the knowledge, skills, expertise, etc., of the current workforce to expand or improve the administration of mitigation assistance. Includes the following sub-categories:
 - Building codes activities
 - Partnerships
 - Project scoping
 - Mitigation planning
 - Planning-related activities
 - Other activities

2) Mitigation Projects

- Cost-effective projects designed to increase resilience and public safety; reduce injuries and loss of life; and reduce damage and destruction to property, critical services, facilities, and infrastructure (*see NOFO for general information on project eligibility*).

Management Costs

- Financial assistance to reimburse the recipient and sub-recipient for eligible and reasonable indirect costs, direct administrative costs, and other administrative expenses associated with a specific mitigation measure or project.
- Can be up to 15% of the total amount of the grant award of which not more than 10% of the total award amount may be used by the recipient and 5% by the sub-recipient for such costs.

Direct Technical Assistance

- To be considered for non-financial Direct Technical Assistance, communities such as local governments including cities, townships, counties, special district governments and tribal governments may submit one letter of interest to FEMA-BRICDirectTechnicalAssistance@fema.dhs.gov (see Section D, Application and Submission Information). Communities are eligible to request this assistance even if they are not applying for financial assistance under this NOFO.
- Non-financial Direct Technical Assistance must result in improvement of the community's capacity and capability to conduct mitigation activities; increase of the community's resiliency to natural hazards; or identification of projects that will holistically improve the community's resiliency and risk reduction efforts.
- For FY2021, FEMA in consultation with applicants will make non-financial Direct Technical Assistance **available to up to 20 local communities** across the nation, selected from submitted letters of interest.

BRIC and Community Lifelines

The goals and objectives of FEMA's Strategic Plan promote using mitigation to reduce risk to lifelines before a disaster and to quickly stabilize a community after disaster by preventing cascading impacts

BRIC mitigation grants can go toward projects which mitigate these structures, facilities, and systems

Lifeline-focused mitigation projects could involve a wide variety of public, private, and non-profit organizations



Needed for all Selected Subapplicants

- Have a current and valid Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number.
- Be registered in System for Award Management (SAM) (ensure you're SAM.gov registration contains current information and hasn't expired).
- *Note that FEMA GO is tied to SAM behind the scenes thus the importance of ensuring your SAM registration is current.*
- Register for a FEMA GO account (SHMO will approve only those entities identified as moving forward in the application process for FEMA GO accounts).

FY20 By the Numbers

- 40 pre-applications received, 36 moved to the IHMT review process
 - 2 ineligible entity type (PNPs not eligible for pre-disaster grant programs)
 - 2 duplicates
- 9 selected to move forward in national competition
 - 3 submitted subapplications
 - 1 was deemed ineligible
 - 2 not selected
 - 2 did not submit a subapplication at all
 - 4 withdrew formally before submitting subapplications
- 3 selected to move forward in state set-aside allocation
 - 3 submitted subapplications
 - 1 was deemed ineligible
 - 2 were selected to continue in the pre-award process (both project scoping)

Useful Links

FEMA BRIC Information: <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities>

FEMA FY20 BRIC Selection Page: <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities/fy2020-subapplication-status>

FEMA FY21 BRIC Engagement Series: <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/2021-building-resilient-infrastructure-and-communities-and-flood-mitigation-assistance-programs>

FEMA Management Cost Webinar: <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/cost-share-webinar>

FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Guidance: <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/103279>

FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Information: <https://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance-publications>

FEMA Mitigation Action Portfolio: https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_mitigation-action-portfolio-support-document.pdf

FEMA Hazard Mitigation Ideas: https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-06/fema-mitigation-ideas_02-13-2013.pdf

FEMA HMA Cost Share Guidance: https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-08/fema_hma_cost-share-guide.pdf

FEMA Management Costs Policy: [Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Interim Management Costs \(fema.gov\)](https://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program-interim-management-costs)

FEMA Nature Based Solutions: https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-08/fema_riskmap_nature-based-solutions-guide_2020.pdf

FEMA HMA 2019 Year in Review: https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-09/fema_hma-year-in-review-support-document_June2020.pdf

Useful Terms to Know

- **Application:** Application for federal financial assistance directly from FEMA (what the state/SHMO fills out and submits).
- **Applicant acting as subapplicant subapplication:** A state agency or federally-recognized tribal government submitting technical assistance or management costs subapplications which will be included in an application for assistance under FEMA's mitigation grant programs.
- **Federal Award:** The federal financial assistance received directly from FEMA.
- **Subaward:** The federal financial assistance received indirectly from a pass-through entity (applicant to a subapplicant).
- **Subrecipient:** A subapplicant whose subapplication has been approved and a subaward obligated.
- **Applicant:** A state agency, territorial government, or federally-recognized tribal government submitting an application to FEMA for assistance under FEMA's mitigation grant programs (the state/SHMO).
- **Subapplicant:** A state agency, local government (including special districts), territorial government, or federally-recognized tribal government submitting a subapplication to an applicant for assistance under FEMA's mitigation grant programs.
- **Subapplication:** Application for federal financial assistance indirectly through a pass-through entity (subapplicant to applicant, applicant to FEMA).
- **Recipient:** An applicant whose application has been approved and a federal award obligated (the state/SHMO).