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The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has announced the nationwide availability of \$30,000,000 in funding for the FY 2015 Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Grant Program. This letter is to identify the PDM Grant Program guidance and deadlines for participants in the state of Texas.

Local governments, councils of government, state agencies, and Native American Tribal Governments are eligible sub-applicants. PDM grants are applied for and processed through the online FEMA eGrants system (<http://www.fema.gov/mitigation-egrants-system-0>).

The FEMA priority for this PDM cycle is for results to include a new or updated local mitigation plan, with a second priority on non-flood mitigation projects. The Hazard Mitigation Assistance Guidance, dated February 27, 2015, can be found on the FEMA website at: <http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance>. This is the current guidance for the PDM Grant Program. Please refer to the state guidance document at <http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem/Mitigation/pdmEGrantStateGuidance.pdf> for additional PDM participation information.

Important PDM deadlines:

- **July 3, 2015**

All sub-applicants must send a formal request

(<http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/internetforms/FormDetail.aspx?Id=2689&FormNumber=TDEM-16.docx>) to the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) for access to the online eGrants system.

- **July 30, 2015**

All sub-applicants must complete applications and submit the completed applications to the state via the online eGrants system to meet the state application deadline.

I encourage all eligible sub-applicants to seek funding opportunities such as this one to improve the preparedness level and natural hazard resiliency of our Texas communities.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. Nim Kidd".

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