

DESIGNATION OF FUNDING AS AN EMERGENCY
REQUIREMENT

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A MEMO DESIGNATING, AS EMERGENCY REQUIREMENTS, ALL FUNDING SO DESIGNATED BY THE CONGRESS IN THE FURTHER CONTINUING AND SECURITY ASSISTANCE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2017, AS OUTLINED, PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 114-254, SEC. 4(a)



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THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, December 10, 2016.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: In accordance with section 4(a) of the Further Continuing and Security Assistance Appropriations Act, 2017 (the "Act"), I hereby designate as emergency requirements all funding so designated by the Congress in the Act pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, as outlined in the enclosed list of accounts.

The details of this action are set forth in the enclosed memorandum from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.
Sincerely,

BARACK OBAMA.



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20503

THE DIRECTOR

December 9, 2016

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Sharry Donovan
Director

SUBJECT:

Designation of Funding as an Emergency Requirement

Section 4(a) of the Further Continuing and Security Assistance Appropriations Act, 2017 (the "Act") provides that the availability of funding that is designated by the Congress in the Act as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended (BBEDCA), is contingent upon the President subsequently so designating all such amounts and transmitting such designations to the Congress. The Act provides a total of \$2.7 billion in emergency funding, which provides for: the Corps of Engineers to prepare for and respond to flood, hurricane, and other natural disasters, address emergency situations at Corps projects, repair damage to and rehabilitate Corps and other projects, and dredge navigation channels in response to such natural disasters; the Department of Transportation to address the Federal Highway Administration's backlog of emergency relief projects; the Department of Housing and Urban Development to support recovery efforts in areas most impacted by major declared disasters in 2016; the Department of Agriculture to respond to flooding and other disasters; and for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for damage related to Hurricane Matthew.

I recommend that you designate as an emergency requirement all funding so designated by the Congress in the Act pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A) of BBEDCA, as outlined in the enclosed list of accounts. Upon transmittal of these designations to the Congress, these funds will be immediately available for obligation and expenditure. No further congressional action will be required.

The designation of these funds as emergency requirements allows for adjustments to the discretionary spending limits in fiscal year (FY) 2017, as specified in section 251(b)(2)(A) of BBEDCA. These adjustments will be reflected when the Office of Management and Budget submits its final sequestration report for FY 2017 under section 254(f) of BBEDCA.

I have reviewed this proposed action and am satisfied it is necessary at this time. Therefore, I recommend that you make the requested funds available by signing the enclosed letters to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate.

Enclosures

Accounts in the Further Continuing and Security Assistance Appropriations Act, 2017 (the "Act"), with Funding Designated by the President as Emergency Requirements

Department of Agriculture (division A of this Act)

Natural Resources Conservation Service:

- Emergency Watershed Protection Program

Farm Service Agency:

- Emergency Conservation Program

Department of Housing and Urban Development (including transfers) (division A of this Act)

Community Planning and Development:

- Community Development Fund

Department of Transportation (division A of this Act)

Federal Highway Administration:

- Emergency Relief Program

Corps of Engineers—Civil (division A of this Act)

Corps of Engineers – Civil Works:

- Construction
- Mississippi River and Tributaries
- Operation and Maintenance
- Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (division A of this Act)

National Aeronautics and Space Administration:

- Construction and Environmental Compliance and Restoration

