

(NHPA), as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 *et seq.*), this notice also serves as an instrument for integration of the Section 106 Consultation into the NEPA process, as required under 40 CFR 1505.25(a); as well as 36 CFR 800.2(a)(4), 800.3(b) and 800.8. An MOA for the Preferred Alternative will be executed in consultation with the New York and New Jersey State Historic Preservation Offices, and will be completed prior to the anticipated record of decision (ROD) at the culmination of the NEPA process.

In accordance with the applicable regulations of the General Conformity Rule (pursuant to the Clean Air Act; 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.* as amended) and given the findings that the estimated annual emission rates of two pollutants (*i.e.*, CO and NO<sub>x</sub>) are predicted to exceed the General Conformity applicability thresholds during the GBR Project's construction period, this notice also serves as the instrument to fulfill the 30-day public review requirements for the General Conformity Determination by the USCG.

Absent new information coming to its attention prior to the conclusion of the 30-day period, the Coast Guard intends to complete its ROD and pursue the preferred alternative at that time. The ROD will identify the environmentally-preferred alternative for the proposed action and be announced in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: August 3, 2010.

**Hala Elgaaly,**

*Administrator, Bridge Program, United States Coast Guard.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-1931-DR; Docket ID FEMA-2010-0002]

#### Texas; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Texas (FEMA-1931-DR), dated August 3, 2010, and related determinations.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* August 3, 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peggy Miller, Recovery Directorate,

Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3886.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated August 3, 2010, the President issued a major disaster declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* (the "Stafford Act"), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Texas resulting from Hurricane Alex beginning on June 30, 2010, and continuing, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* (the "Stafford Act"). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Texas.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Individual Assistance and Public Assistance in the designated areas and Hazard Mitigation throughout the State. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance is supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance, Hazard Mitigation, and Other Needs Assistance will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration for the approved assistance to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The time period prescribed for the implementation of section 310(a), Priority to Certain Applications for Public Facility and Public Housing Assistance, 42 U.S.C. 5153, shall be for a period not to exceed six months after the date of this declaration.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Bradley M. Harris, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this major disaster.

The following areas of the State of Texas have been designated as adversely affected by this major disaster:

Cameron, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Maverick, Starr, Val Verde, Webb, and Zapata Counties for Individual Assistance.

Cameron, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Maverick, Starr, Webb, Willacy, and Zapata Counties for Public Assistance.

All counties within the State of Texas are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora

Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households in Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance—Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.036, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.

**W. Craig Fugate,**

*Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA-2010-0048]

#### Recovery Policy, RP9525.16, Research-Related Equipment and Furnishings

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is accepting comments on Recovery Policy RP9525.16 *Research-related Equipment and Furnishings*. This is an existing policy that is scheduled for review to ensure that Recovery Directorate policies are consistent with current laws and regulations. This policy identifies the expenses associated with disaster-damaged research-related equipment and furnishings of eligible private nonprofit or public facilities that are eligible for reimbursement under the Public Assistance Program.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by September 13, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments must be identified by docket ID FEMA-2010-0048 and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

*Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Please note that this proposed policy is not a rulemaking and the Federal Rulemaking Portal is being utilized only as a mechanism for receiving comments.

*Mail:* Rules Docket Manager, Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Room 835, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472-3100.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Deborah Atkinson, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, [Deborah.Atkinson@dhs.gov](mailto:Deborah.Atkinson@dhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Public Participation**

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name and docket ID. Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy Act notice, which can be viewed by clicking on the "Privacy Notice" link in the footer of [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

You may submit your comments and material by the methods specified in the **ADDRESSES** section above. Please submit your comments and any supporting material by only one means to avoid the receipt and review of duplicate submissions.

*Docket:* The proposed policy is available in docket ID FEMA–2010–0048. For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for the docket ID. Submitted comments may also be inspected at FEMA, Office of Chief Counsel, Room 835, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472.

**II. Background**

Eligible Public Assistance applicants conducting active research programs, and that have incurred damages to their facility as a result of a declared major disaster, may be eligible for Public Assistance grant funding for replacement or repair of facilities and the equipment and/or furnishings contained within. The cost of performing research itself is not eligible for Public Assistance grant funding. Because research is not identified as an eligible PNP service under 44 CFR 206.221(e), an active research program must support an eligible function such as an educational or medical function in order for the facilities, equipment and/or furnishings to be eligible. The draft updated policy proposes to include insurance considerations for the applicant that may affect Public Assistance funding.

FEMA seeks comment on the proposed policy, which is available online at <http://www.regulations.gov> in

docket ID FEMA–2010–0048. Based on the comments received, FEMA may make appropriate revisions to the proposed policy. Although FEMA will consider any comments received in the drafting of the final policy, FEMA will not provide a response to comments document. When or if FEMA issues a final policy, FEMA will publish a notice of availability in the **Federal Register** and make the final policy available at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 5121–5207; 44 CFR part 206.

**David J. Kaufman,**

*Director, Office of Policy and Program Analysis, Federal Emergency Management Agency.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Federal Emergency Management Agency**

[Docket ID FEMA–2010–0049]

**Recovery Policy, RP9525.4, Emergency Medical Care and Medical Evacuations**

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is accepting comments on RP9525.4, *Emergency Medical Care and Medical Evacuations*. This is an existing policy that is scheduled for review to ensure that the Recovery Directorate policies are consistent with current laws and regulations. This policy identifies the extraordinary emergency medical care and medical evacuation expenses that are eligible for reimbursement under the Category B, Emergency Protective Measures provision of the Public Assistance Program following an emergency or major disaster declaration.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by September 13, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments must be identified by docket ID FEMA–2010–0049 and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

*Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Please note that this proposed policy is not a rulemaking and the Federal Rulemaking Portal is being utilized only as a mechanism for receiving comments.

*Mail:* Rules Docket Manager, Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency

Management Agency, Room 835, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472–3100.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Deborah Atkinson, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, [Deborah.Atkinson@dhs.gov](mailto:Deborah.Atkinson@dhs.gov).

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You may submit your comments and material by the methods specified in the **ADDRESSES** section above. Please submit your comments and any supporting material by only one means to avoid the receipt and review of duplicate submissions.

*Docket:* The proposed policy is available in docket ID FEMA–2010–0049. For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for the docket ID. Submitted comments may also be inspected at FEMA, Office of Chief Counsel, Room 835, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472.

**II. Background**

Sections 403 and 502 of the Stafford Act authorize Federal agencies to provide assistance, including emergency medical care, essential to meeting immediate threats to life and property resulting from a major disaster or emergency, respectively. When the emergency medical delivery system within the designated disaster area is destroyed or severely compromised by a disaster event, assistance for emergency medical care and medical evacuations of disaster survivors from eligible public and private nonprofit hospitals and custodial care facilities is available to eligible Public Assistance applicants through Public Assistance grants, Direct Federal Assistance (DFA), or a combination of both. When the State and local governments lack the capability to perform or contract for eligible emergency medical care or