

City of Gonzales
APPLICANT NAME

Gonzales, County
COUNTY

Golden Crescent Planning Commission (GCPC)
COG/REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

DR-4332-2017
DISASTER DECLARATION NUMBER/YEAR

DISASTER IMPACT

The Disaster Impact provides the applicant an opportunity to establish direct damage related to the specific declaration(s) and provide a narrative as to how the community would be affected should no action be taken to repair the damaged facilities.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

The City of Gonzales certifies that it is following the Texas General Land Office Community Development and Revitalization Hurricane Harvey (Pub. L. 115-56 and 115-123) Citizen Participation Plan for the State and Subrecipients. The City of Gonzales provides for and encourages citizen participation at all stages of the disaster recovery program.

The City of Gonzales certifies by signing SF-424, that it has and will comply with the requirements of the Citizen Participation Plan as stated in this section. Evidence that the City of Gonzales CDBG-DR application was posted for a 30 day public comment period follows: **Attachment #1**

The City of Gonzales will maintain a citizen participation file which includes (1) a copy of the Plan Requirements below, (2) the applicant's complaint procedures, (3) any technical assistance provided by the applicant, and (4) public notices, minutes, and attendance lists for any public hearings.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

The City of Gonzales provided a 30 day public notice for the appraisal, examination, and comment on the activities proposed for the use of CDBG-DR funds. The **public comment period occurred from July 1, 2019 – July 31, 2019.**

- 1) All public notices will contain:
 - (a) the amount of CDBG-DR funds to be expended;
 - (b) the activities to be undertaken with the CDBG-DR funds;
 - (c) the estimated amount of the CDBG-DR funds proposed to be used for activities that will meet the national objective of benefit to low- and moderate-income persons; and
- 2) The City of Gonzales will provide citizens with reasonable advance notice of, and opportunity to comment on, proposed activities in the application to the state and for any activities which are proposed to be added, deleted, or **substantially changed** from the entity's application to the state.
- 3) Citizen notice will be accomplished through one or more of the following methods:
 - (a) Publication of notice in a local newspaper
 - (b) Notices prominently posted at City Hall, located at 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas, 78629;
 - (c) On the City of Gonzales website at www.gonzales.texas.gov
 - (d) At a Public Hearing to be held on August 8, 2019

Public Hearing Provisions

The City of Gonzales follows these public hearing provisions for the CDBG-DR grant funds:

- 1) Furnish citizens information, including but not limited to:
 - (a) The amount of CDBG-DR funds available to the City of Gonzales: \$852,300
 - (b) The range of activities that may be undertaken with the CDBG-DR Hurricane Harvey funds;
 - (c) The estimated amount of the CDBG-Hurricane Harvey funds proposed to be used for activities that will meet the national objective of benefit to low- and moderate-income persons; and
 - (d) The proposed CDBG-DR activities will not result in displacement under 24 CFR 570.488.
- 2) Public notice of any all public hearings for CDBG-DR funds will be published at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the scheduled hearing. The public notice will be published in a local newspaper. Each public notice WILL include the DATE, TIME, LOCATION, and TOPICS to be considered at the hearing. The Public Hearing notice was also prominently posted at Gonzales City Hall.

- 3) A **Public Hearing** on the application was held on August 8, 2019 at City Hall, located at 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas, 78629. **The City Council passed a Resolution (Attachment #2) authorizing the submission of the application.** Persons with disabilities will be, and individuals needing special services may contact the City Secretary, citysecretary@gonzales.texas.gov, at least 2 days prior to each hearing, to request auxiliary aids or services
- 4) When a considerable number of non-English speaking residents are expected to participate in a public hearing, an interpreter will be present to accommodate the needs of the non-English speaking residents.

Complaint Procedures

The City of Gonzales will provide a timely written response (within 15 working days) to any complaints and grievances. Citizens must be made aware of the location and the days and hours when the location is open for business so that they may obtain a copy of these written procedures.

Technical Assistance

When requested, the City of Gonzales shall provide technical assistance to groups representative of persons of low- and moderate-income in developing proposals for CDBG-DR funds. The level and type of assistance shall be determined by the applicant/recipient based upon the specific needs of the community's residents.

The City of Gonzales certifies compliance with the Citizen Participation Plan requirements by completing and signing the required Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

Audit: The City of Gonzales does not receive \$750,000 or more in federal funds so is not required to complete a Single Audit in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Subchapter F.

1) Annual Financial Statement: **Attachment #3**

- (a) Provide the most recent financial statement prepared in accordance with 2 CFR 200.510. Include a schedule of expenditures and a schedule of findings and questioned costs.

2) Key Staff: **Attachment #4**

- (a) Provide the names and contact information for key staff, and their qualifications, that will be working on the proposed project if awarded, along with who will provide local oversight of the application, the potential contract, and all applicable requirements.

3) Local Procurement Policies and Procedures: **Attachment #5**

INFRASTRUCTURE APPLICATION

COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Description of the Damage

Between August 26, 2017 and August 29, 2017 the City was inundated by torrential rainfall from Hurricane Harvey resulting in flooded City infrastructure. Wastewater lines were overwhelmed by floodwaters resulting in service disruption and impacts to health and safety.

A state of disaster for Gonzales County resulting from heavy rainfall and high winds associated with Hurricane Harvey was declared, Monday, August 28, 2017 at 10 a.m. Light-to-moderate rain fell continuously across areas east of the Interstate 35 corridor from Friday, August 25, 2017 through Monday evening, August 28, 2017, leading to massive amounts of accumulated rainfall. Portions of Bastrop, Fayette, Lee, Lavaca and Gonzales counties received over 20 inches of rain from Harvey. Flood warnings were in effect for the Guadalupe River. At 7:45 a.m. Monday, August 28, 2017, the flood stage of the river was 42.1 feet (flood stage is 31 feet.)

Moderate flooding is occurring and major flooding is forecast. The river continued rising to near 45 feet by early afternoon on Monday and then began falling.

From the Gonzales Inquirer on Monday, August 28, 2017, Gonzales County Emergency Management Coordinator Jimmy Harless stated, "At 45 feet, flow reaches the floor of the old power plant and to the slab of the electric plant. The water is several feet deep in the baseball and concession buildings in the city park, and flooding is several miles wide in the floodplain just northwest of Gonzales. The flow approaches lower homes in the Tinsley Creek floodplain in Gonzales as the river backs up. Any flow down Tinsley Creek over the backflow can flood homes."

Besides flooding due to inadequate infrastructure, the majority of the damage resulted from trees and limbs that fell caused power outages and blocked streets. After the storm, City crews which comprised of the street, maintenance, parks, and community development departments combined forces to clear the debris from 20 sites within the city limits. The sites are as follows:

700 St. George, 500 St. Peter, 700 St. Francis, 100 St George, 100 Morey, 900 Water, 1400 Conway, 100 Plum, Park place entrance, 1400 Answorth, 1300 School, 900 Johnson, 1500 Burchard, 1400 Martin, 300 Smith, 1000 St. Lawrence, 100 Titcomb 800 St. Paul, 1600 St Lawrence, 700 Hopkins and Steirn Road by the cemetary. From 9/11/17 to 9/13/17, the street and brush crew cut the fallen trees within the RV area of Independence Park.

This project seeks to replace wastewater lines, increasing capacity and mitigating the impact of future flooding events.

Items attached include dated photos of damaged wastewater lines (showing locations) FEMA project work sheet, work area map, news reports and the local declaration of disaster from Hurricane Harvey. **Attachment #6**

Housing Needs Assessment

Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing

1. Describe the jurisdiction's current supply of housing units available at affordable rents (Public Housing, Section 8 assisted, Rural Housing Service (RHS) assisted, HOME program assisted, Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs assisted, Local Housing Development Corp. assisted, etc.).

There are 5 low income housing apartment complexes which contain 276 affordable apartments for rent in Gonzales. ... In Gonzales, HUD housing programs support 90 rental assistance apartments through programs like Project-based Section 8.

List of Unmet Needs

Taking into consideration the direct damage described, citizen participation responses, and the assessment of housing and affirmatively furthering fair housing, provide a list (in priority order) of all the disaster-related needs still unmet.

1. **Repair and replacement of infrastructure. (Sanitary Sewer)**
2. **Flood control projects to reduce long term risk.**

Long-Term Planning

Describe the community's overall recovery plan and how the project addressed in this application further that plan. Include information about how the project will specifically address the long-term recovery and restoration of housing in the most impacted and distressed areas. Include how the community will be more resilient against future disasters as a result of these projects.

1. Considering the local post-disaster evaluation of hazard risks, responsible flood plain management, future extreme weather/ natural disaster events, and long-term risks, describe how the proposed project promotes sustainable long-term recovery.

This project will strengthen and mitigate the sanitary sewer system by providing new and expanded capacity. This project will use modern construction techniques to protect the system from Hurricane, flood, and other natural hazards.

2. Describe how the proposed project coordinates with local and regional planning efforts to ensure consistency with and promote community-level and/or regional post-disaster recovery and mitigation planning.

This project does not affect the region.

3. Describe how the proposed project integrates mitigation measures into rebuilding activities and achieves objectives outlined in community-level and/or regional post-disaster recovery and mitigation planning to reduce future risk.

This project will integrate mitigation measures in the form of new infrastructure and greater capacity.

4. Describe the cost and benefit analysis used in the selection of the proposed project and how they inform community-level and/or regional post-disaster recovery and mitigation planning.

City staff reviewed several possible projects and found the replacement of existing wastewater infrastructure to be the most cost effective. This project was presented to City Council on August 8, 2019 with No Objections made.

5. Describe how the proposed project will avoid disproportionate impact on vulnerable populations and create opportunities to address economic inequities facing the local community.

This project will not disproportionately affect or impact vulnerable populations. The new wastewater infrastructure will be in the same location as the existing wastewater line. The property is already owned by the City.

6. Describe how the proposed project aligns with investments from other state or local capital improvements and infrastructure development efforts. Identify sources and amounts of additional infrastructure funding (state and local capital improvements projects and/or private investments.)

The City of Gonzales received reimbursement of \$82,852.22 from FEMA for debris removal, emergency sewer line repair and utility pole removal and replacement. The City of Gonzales received funding for emergency repair of the wastewater line and collapsed manhole, but the application provides for replacement of the sewer line. Force account labor and materials: \$25,410.80

Remove and replace nine (9) utility poles: \$16,516.42

Repair 40' of 15" sewer line, and road repair, in the 900 block of Cuero Street: \$40,925.

7. Describe how the proposed project will employ adaptable and reliable technologies to guard against premature obsolescence.

The project will be built to current codes and with parts and components that can easily be replaced or serviced. This project has an approximate 50 year service life.

8. Describe the applicant's overall recovery plan and how the project addressed in this application further that plan. Include information about how the project will specifically address the long-term recovery and restoration of housing in the most impacted and distressed areas. Also, include how the community will be more resilient against future disasters as a result of these projects.

One local recovery goal is to replace wastewater infrastructure that was damaged during Hurricane Harvey. This project facilitates permanent improvements and mitigates future flood losses.

PROCUREMENT INFORMATION

ADMINISTRATION

Does the applicant intend to use a third-party vendor to administer the proposed projects?

Yes. The Grants Administrator has been procured. 2 CFR 200.318-200.326 regulations were followed in the procurement process. Procurement attachment. **Attachment #7**

JET Development LLC
Janay Tieken, Principal
Office phone: 940.391.9363
janay@jetdevelopmentllc.com

ENVIRONMENTAL

Does the applicant intend to use a third-party vendor to provide environmental services for the proposed projects?

Yes, but the vendor has not been procured. 2 CFR 200.318–200.326 regulations will be followed in the procurement process.

ENGINEERING

Does the applicant intend to use a third-party vendor to engineer the proposed projects?

Yes. The Engineer has been procured. 2 CFR 200.318–200.326 regulations were followed in the procurement process. Procurement attachment. **Attachment #8**

Doucet and Associates
Keith Schauer, P.E., Vice President
Office phone: 512.851.1740
kschauer@docetengineers.com

FUNDING INFORMATION

Non-Duplication of Benefits Notification

| SCENARIO | QUALIFYING EVENT (Circle all that apply for appropriate scenario) | | | A | B |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|-------------------------|---------------------|
| | | | | WRITTEN DOC(S) PROVIDED | CLEARED FOR FUNDING |
| 1 Presented— Not Funded | Applicant received verbal denial | Applicant received written denial | Applicant received no response | | |
| 2 Presented— Partially Funded | Applicant did not receive funding for same project component(s) in application | | Applicant received funding for repair, but application provides additional hardening | FEMA Project Worksheet | |
| 3 Not Presented | Applicant received verifiable FEMA guidance against presenting | Other (see management for approval; submerged roads exception) | | | |

FEMA Coverage

FEMA Project Worksheet. **Attachment #9**

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The wastewater line replacement outlined in the application is NOT a proposed FEMA funding match.

Insurance Coverage

Did the applicant have insurance proceeds for the proposed project? **No**

Other Funding

If local or other funds are available to address the proposed project in whole or in part, report all sources of that funding and the amounts to be used. Make sure these funds are reflected appropriately in the Table 1 budget.

- 2. Are local or other funds available to address the proposed project in whole or in part? **Yes. Local funds of \$69,755.97 will be allocated to the project.**
- 3. What other state and/or federal agencies has the applicant contacted concerning funding for the proposed project, and what were the results?
The City has only contacted FEMA regarding this project. Funding received for emergency repairs is shown.

Financial Interest

In this section, identify all persons/entities with a reportable financial interest in the proposed project to declare.

- 4. Are there any persons/entities with a reportable financial interest to disclose? **No.**
- 5. **A form A-503 will be filed for all persons with a financial interest within 30 days of grant execution.**

PROJECT DETAIL

- 1. Type of project proposed:
Wastewater Improvements
- 2. Project Title: **Gonzales Wastewater Line Replacement**

Site #1 Physical Address

Maps: **Attachment #10**

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION METHOD

For each project, identify how the proposed project will be accomplished:

The project will be completed through the Bid/Contract process

NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

ACTIVITY-RELATED ELIGIBILITY

1. National Objective: Principally benefit to low and moderate income persons

(a) LMI Area Benefit.

Census-based information was used to document the LMI beneficiaries the application activity. The low- and moderate-income benefit percentage was at least 51 percent for a single CGA, or for combinations of two or more CGAs was verified by the Government Land Office (GLO).

Beneficiaries of the project were identified through the most recent LMISD information

ACQUISITION/UNIFORM RELOCATION ASSISTANCE

The CDBG-DR project proposed in this application does not trigger the provisions of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601 *et seq.*) (“URA”) and section 104(d) of the HCD Act (42 U.S.C. 5304(d)) (Section 104(d)).

For the purpose of promoting the availability of decent, safe, and sanitary housing in response to Hurricane Harvey, HUD has waived the following URA and Section 104(d) requirements for subrecipients:

- a. One-for-one replacement.
- b. Relocation assistance.
- c. Arm's length voluntary purchase.
- d. Rental assistance to a displaced person.
- e. Tenant-based rental assistance.
- f. Moving expenses.
- g. Optional relocation policies.

Does the project require acquisition of property, purchase of easements, relocation, or any other activity requiring compliance with URA outside the listed waived activities? **No.**

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Select acquisition status: **Previously Acquired**

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PERMITS AND ADDITIONAL PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Does the project require any federal, state, or other permits, approvals, or waivers to complete the proposed work? **TCEQ will be notified bu the project does not require a TCEQ permit.**
2. Does the project require any type of ratified, legally binding agreement between the applicant and any other entity to provide continual operation upon completion? **No**
3. For sewer and/or water facilities projects, does the applicant currently hold the Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) for the target area proposed in the application? **Yes.**

ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIFIC INFORMATION

All funded applications MUST comply with federal regulations regarding environmental clearance before funds will be released.

NOTE: An Environmental Exemption form providing clearance for planning and administration activities must be attached. **Attachment #11**

1. What is the current status of the project?
Not yet begun.
2. Will the assistance requested have any negative impacts on the environment? **No**
3. Is the proposed project likely to require an archeological assessment? **No**
4. Is the proposed site listed in the National Register or Historic Places? **Yes**
5. Is the project in a designated flood hazard area or a designated wetland? **Yes.**

Attachment #12 Flood Plain Map

6. Is the applicant participating in the National Flood Insurance Program? **Yes**
7. Is any project site located in a known critical habitat for endangered species? **No**
8. Is any project site a known hazardous site? **No**
9. Is any project site located on Federal Lands or at a Federal Installation? **No**
10. Is any project site subject to or participating in Fixing America's Surface Transportation Action (FAST-41) (P.L. 114-94)? **No**
11. What level of Environmental Review is likely needed for this site? **Environmental Assessment**

PROJECT SCHEDULE

Most projects should be completed in 24 months, once the project contract between the applicant and the GLO is executed. If the proposed project requires a schedule longer than 24 months, justification must be provided.

| MONTHS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
|---------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Procurement | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Environ Review | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Acquisition | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Engineering Design | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Construction | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Closeout | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Extended Completion | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

TABLE 1: CONTRACT BUDGET AND BENEFICIARY IDENTIFICATION

| Gonzales Wasterwater Line Replacement | Total Benefit | LMI Benefit | % LMI | CDBG-R Constr | CDBG-R Engin | CD BG -R Acqui s | CDBG-R Environ | CDBG-R Admin | Total CDBG-R Request | Other Funds | Activity Total |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------|---------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Project #1 | 7,130 | 4,085 | 57.3 % | \$749,639 | \$112,445.85 | 0 | \$44,971.12 | \$15,000 | \$852,300 | \$69,755.97 | \$922,055.97 |

BENEFICIARY IDENTIFICATION METHOD(S) PER PROJECT:

Gonzales Wastewater Line Replacement Project

HUD National Objective:

Primary benefit to low to moderate income persons

Benefit Type

Area Benefit

Beneficiary Identification Method

**HUD LMISD information was used to identify the beneficiaries for this activity
City of Gonzales, Texas**

| Stusab | State | Place | low | lowmod | lowmoduniv | lowmod_pct |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|------------|------------|
| TX | 48 | 30116 | 2,510 | 4,085 | 7,130 | 57.3% |

2017 ACS DP-05

| Race | # Non-Hispanic Beneficiaries | # Hispanic Beneficiaries | Total Activity Beneficiaries |
|------|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| | | | |

| | | | |
|--------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| | 3,462 | 4,034 | 7,496 |
| Gender | Total Males | Total Females | Total Benes |
| | 3,486 | 3,010 | 7,496 |

REQUIRED - Census Geographic Area Data

Identify the census tract and block group(s) in which the project will take place:

Census Tract (6 Digit): 000300, 000400 Block Groups: 1770003004, 1770004002

TABLE 2: BUDGET JUSTIFICATION

Gonzales Wastewater Line Replacement Project

Use the Project Title and other related information in the Project Detail section(s) of the application to ensure that each project’s Table 2 is clearly identified and associated.

Eligible Activity

HUD Activity # 03J Water/Sewer Improvements

Table 2: PROJECT BUDGET

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25-Jun-19

| Item | Description | Quantity | Unit | Unit Price | Price |
|-----------|--|----------|------|--------------|----------------------|
| 1 | Mobilization | 1 | LS | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 10,000.00 |
| 2 | Traffic Control | 1 | LS | \$ 15,000.00 | \$ 15,000.00 |
| 3 | Erosion / Sedimentation Control | 1 | LS | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 5,000.00 |
| 4 | Prepare Right of Way (Demo, Sawcut & Disposal of Pavement) | 4520 | LF | \$ 10.00 | \$ 45,200.00 |
| 5 | 6-inch PVC ASTM D3034 SDR 26 | 370 | LF | \$ 35.00 | \$ 12,950.00 |
| 6 | 15-inch PVC ASTM D3034 SDR 26 | 4150 | LF | \$ 50.00 | \$ 207,500.00 |
| 7 | Sanitary Sewer Service Connections w/Cleanout | 70 | EA | \$ 1,500.00 | \$ 105,000.00 |
| 8 | Trench Safety | 4520 | LF | \$ 1.50 | \$ 6,780.00 |
| 9 | 4-Foot Diameter Concrete Manhole | 18 | EA | \$ 4,500.00 | \$ 81,000.00 |
| 10 | By-Pass Sewage Siphon and/or Pumping | 1 | LS | \$ 15,000.00 | \$ 15,000.00 |
| 11 | Demolish/Replace Curb & Gutter at Sanitary Sewer Services | 210 | LF | \$ 30.00 | \$ 6,300.00 |
| 12 | 2-inches HMAC TYPE D Street Trench Surface Repair | 4520 | LF | \$ 28.00 | \$ 126,560.00 |
| 13 | 8-inches Limestone Base Street Trench Repair | 4520 | LF | \$ 10.00 | \$ 45,200.00 |
| 14 | Sub-Total | | | | \$ 681,490.00 |
| 15 | Contingency | 10 | % | \$ 6,814.90 | \$ 68,149.00 |
| 16 | Engineering / Surveying / CMT | 15 | % | \$ 7,496.39 | \$ 112,445.85 |
| 17 | Grant Admin / Environmental Studies | 8 | % | \$ 7,496.39 | \$ 59,971.12 |
| 18 | Total | | | | \$ 922,055.97 |

Signature and Seal of the Registered Engineer

LOCAL CERTIFICATIONS

Every Application must be signed by the authorized signatory. By signing this application, the signee authorizes the state or any of its duly authorized representatives to verify the information contained herein. It should be noted that 18 USC § 1001 states that any person who (1) knowingly or willfully falsifies, conceals, or covers up by any trick, scheme, or device of material fact, (2) makes any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation; or (3) makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the same to contain any materially false fact, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or is a federal offense and punishable under the law. Title 18, Section 1001 of the U.S. code states that a person is guilty of a FELONY for knowingly and willingly makes false statements to any department of the United States Government.

Each application for CDBG Disaster Recovery funding must also be accompanied by a completed and signed Application for Federal Assistance Standard Form 424 (SF-424).

Each applicant must comply with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations, the requirements set forth in title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 58, and applicable GLO-CDR policy directives. All applicable federal and state laws, including environmental, labor (Davis-Bacon), procurement procedures and contract requirements of 2 CFR 200.318 -200.326, and civil rights requirements apply to the use of these funds. Each applicant certifies, in compliance with the requirements presented in Volume 81, Number 224 of the Federal Register effective November 28, 2016, that:

1. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG-DR program;
2. It is in compliance with restrictions on lobbying required by 24 CFR part 87, together with disclosure forms, if required by part 87;
3. It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Act (URA), as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR part 24, except where waivers or alternative requirements are provided for in the Federal Register notice.
4. It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u), and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 135.
5. It is following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105 Public Participation Plan as it pertains to local government administration of CDBG-DR funds. or 91.115 Public Participation Plan as it pertains to State administration of CDBG-DR funds., as applicable (except as provided for in notices providing waivers and alternative requirements for this grant). Also, each Unit of General Local Government (UGLG) receiving assistance from a state grantee must follow a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 570.486 (except as provided for in notices providing waivers and alternative requirements for this grant).
6. Funds will be used solely for necessary expenses related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, and economic revitalization in the most impacted and distressed areas for which the President declared a major disaster in 2016 pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.*) related to the consequences of the 2016 flood events.

7. The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601 -3619) and implementing regulations, and that it will affirmatively further fair housing.
8. It has adopted the following policies:
 - A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
 - A policy of enforcing applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location that is the subject of such nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.
 - It will not use CDBG-DR funds for any activity in an area identified as flood prone for land use or hazard mitigation planning purposes by the state, local, or tribal government, or delineated as a Special Flood Hazard Area in FEMA's most current flood advisory maps, unless it also ensures that the action is designed or modified to minimize harm to or within the floodplain, in accordance with Executive Order 11988 and 24 CFR part 55. The relevant data source for this provision is the state, local, and tribal government land use regulations and hazard mitigation plans and the latest issued FEMA data or guidance, which includes advisory data (such as Advisory Base Flood Elevations) or preliminary and final Flood Insurance Rate Maps.
9. Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR part 35, subparts A, B, J, K, and R.
10. It will comply with applicable laws.
11. It will comply with the environmental requirements presented in 24 CFR Part 58.

CERTIFICATION

The City of Gonzales Certifies that all statements contained in this application are true

Tim Patek, City Manager

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