

Questions from CDBG-MIT PFHP Presentation – March 16, 2021

Q1: If you do a stream mitigation project, how long does it have to be maintained? and is their funding for continued maintenance? who would be required to maintain the project after completion? county, municipality?

To reiterate what Sherry said, maintenance is likely based on the useful life of improvements and may differ from project to project. CDBG-MIT funds cannot be used for maintenance. The applicant can determine the responsible party for maintenance, but likely the owner of the property.

Q2: Will this fund private water crossings if it reduces flooding? the area we are looking at has many inadequate culverts and bridges, which is a large influence on flooding. The area has over 550 structures in which 375 are living space, I would say it would be 75% LMI, includes sewer treatment plant.

Today's presentation is specifically about the public facilities hardening program. A culvert or bridge improvement would not be eligible under this program but may be eligible under the General Infrastructure Program. For infrastructure improvements on private lands, you must demonstrate a measurable public mitigation benefit.

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Please just be aware that there are limits on this type of activity, and we could discuss project specifics one-on-one.

Q4: Where can we find the income guidelines.

This is going to be covered in a future slide, but in general, it can be found in our program guidelines document. HUD sets the threshold for 80% area median income, and the guidelines has the link to this information. WV will also provide information on a specific low- to moderate-income technical assistance provided by the state.

Q5: If a PSD wanted a mobile generator to run pump stations during power outages and avoid service disruptions, would their entire service area need to be 51% LMI?

As Sherry said, we cannot fund mobile generators, as that is likely an ineligible equipment purchase.