



## Boulder County CDBG-DR Collaborative Standing Meeting Minutes – February 12, 2016

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**Others Attending:** Tim Katers, DOLA  
Gary Sanfaron, Boulder County  
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Kristin Hyser, City of Boulder  
Dave Bowman, DOLA (phone)

**Location:** Town of Lyons – Board Room

### Agenda and Discussion Items:

- Status of Partner Agreements with State
- Update on Resiliency Performance Standards
- Prioritization of New Construction Housing projects
- Boulder County Resiliency Plan report out – Garry Sanfacon from BoCo Strong
- Infrastructure Project updates
- Round 3 preparation – updating the Unmet Needs Assessment

### Handouts:

- Resiliency Performance Standards Powerpoint Presentation
- Summary of Boulder County New Construction Housing Projects
- Updated BCC's Suballocation Distribution for Infrastructure Projects

### 2:35pm – Introduction

#### Status of Partner Agreement with State

We do have a signed suballocation agreement. The Collaborative is working to get partner's contracts out. The two proceeding first are Lyons and Boulder County, to be funded out of the \$1.41M Round 1 funding. These projects need to be spent as quickly as possible. We are aiming for February 23rd City of Longmont council meeting approval.

We will get a contract for everyone as soon as possible. The target date to get all contracts completed is the end of March.

## **Update on Resiliency Performance Standards**

Partners were updated with the Collaborative Resilience Performance Standards, progress and issues encountered in the development of the Collaborative's Resilience Performance Standards Plan.

The overall goal is to guide the resilience infrastructure projects recovery from future disasters more readily. The project objective is to develop performance metrics and resilience standards for infrastructure designs. There are two tracks associated with this standards. Federal requirements that apply to some of the round 2 infrastructure projects. All infrastructure projects will be reviewed against these standards. For projects that are already underway, we will apply the standards retroactively. This plan will also be scalable for future projects and for use by others.

### **Summary of the plan development time-line:**

November – Kickoff with Consultant - completed

December – First stakeholder workshop - completed

January – Second Stakeholder workshop - completed

February 5 – First draft plan - completed

February 9 – Work session with Consultants - completed

February 19 – Target date for 2<sup>nd</sup> draft (draft will be available for review)

End of February – Target date for implementation workshop

March – Target date for final plan completion.

Powerpoint presentation began.

## **Prioritization of New Construction Housing projects**

State has set aside new construction housing for round 1 and round 2 and asked the community to prioritize the county's projects for consideration of funding. The State also agreed to allow the Collaborative to bring its round 3 funding into its suballocation and manage it however best to meeting the community's unmet needs.

At the January meeting, the collaborative agreed to set aside \$4M of the approximately \$5.6 M Round 3 Housing funding to Lyons and the balance of about \$1.6M to City of Boulder Ponderosa housing project, per the City's request.

For this meeting, we are bringing back the Round 2 funding, 2<sup>nd</sup> obligation, housing project prioritization for discussion. Also, the City of Boulder's priorities have changed.

The following is an update from the City of Boulder regarding their updated housing projects: Due to a current lack of funding to support the Ponderosa project, the City is looking to change their priority housing project from Ponderosa to the Palo Park project. The reason for the change is due to lack of funding for Ponderosa and the complexity of the Ponderosa project. The level of investment the City is required to make toward the Ponderosa project is more than what is currently available. The City is requesting that DR funds be shifted to the Palo project due to project readiness. The City is also keeping the Ponderosa project on its priority list.

Discussion by the Collaborative:

- The Ponderosa mobile home park was directly impacted by the floods. The Palo project is a new housing construction project, providing housing preferences to displaced flood victims.
- The Collaborative was reminded that there are two other projects that are also seeking DR funding.
- The Collaborative is required to update its Unmet Needs Assessment prior to any funding decisions on its Round 3 Sub-allocation. Time frame to complete the UNA is targeted for completion by the end of April.

- Per the State, the Collaborative may postpone its submission of the housing prioritization project until March 11.
- The Collaborative partners were reminded that it is a good practice to update its UNA prior to making any recommendation and prioritize projects to be funded with flood recovery money.
- It is also important to make sure that projects funded with DR are tied back to disaster or give preferences to flood victims through outreach.

Decision:

The Collaborative will update its UNA before the end of April and will provide its prioritization to the State at that point in time. It also would like to have additional conversations with the Division of Housing about additional funding from ongoing programs and/or revisit the use of local repayments from Boulder County projects prior to making its final recommendation.

#### **Update on Boulder County Resiliency Plan – Garry Sanfacon from BoCo Strong**

The Plan was developed and driven by the NDRC competition. The County and State at the December meeting determined that the Collaborative should be the holder of this plan.

Even though the State did not receive any NDRC funds, the State is committed to fund resiliency projects in Boulder County.

The County Resiliency Plan can add value and be used as a tool as communities develop their comprehensive plans.

The County is applying for a Planning grant with the State to incorporate this plan into the local plans.

It is suggested that the Collaborative as a whole form a small group of people that are focusing on the resiliency efforts to keep the spirit of the plan moving forward.

#### **Infrastructure Project Updates**

Boulder County: State amending the remaining \$400k to the County's HMGP match.

Boulder: Under construction

Jamestown: Meetings scheduled with Town staff to review project submitted for funding

Lafayette: Waiting to hear back from the City on moving forward with a project or opting out

Longmont: Heron Lake and Left Hand Creek grants have executed contracts with the State.

Louisville: Under construction

Lyons: Meetings scheduled with the Town staff to review projects submitted for funding.

Nederland: Working with the community to submit for FEMA reimbursement so can submit for DR match

Special Districts: St. Vrain Conservation and Water District was only applicant

#### **Round 3 preparation – updating the Unmet Needs Assessment**

In preparation for Round 3 funding, the Collaborative will be working on updating its UNA. This process will begin shortly and should be completed by the end of April.

The Collaborative CDBG-DR suballocation website went live to report to the public on its suballocation at [www.bccollaborative.org](http://www.bccollaborative.org). Partners are encouraged to visit the website and provide feedback and comments.

**3:40pm - Meeting adjourned.**

**Next Meeting:** Friday, March 11, 2016

2:30 – 4:30 pm

Boulder County Courthouse, Dickie Lee Hullinghorst Meeting Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor