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Carol J. Wallace
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Attention: Review and Compliance
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Re: Annual Report Regarding the Programmatic Agreement among the
Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Illinois State Historic Preservation Officer,
the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, and Participating Tribes

Dear Ms. Wallace:

Pursuant to paragraph I.B.1(d) of the captioned Programmatic Agreement (PA), FEMA is required to provide the PA's Signatories with an annual written report of activities conducted during each calendar year. Enclosed, find a copy of the report for projects approved in 2025.

Per paragraph I.B.1(e), any signatory to the PA who would like to have FEMA call a meeting of the signatories to review the report and/or discuss any issues may contact me to do so.

FEMA used programmatic allowances on more than 116 undertakings in the State during 2025 and consulted on 27 total projects with SHPO or roughly eighteen percent (18.8%).

In addition to relieving the SHPO of the burden of routine reviews, the PA also reduces that time needed for FEMA and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency to approve funding for disaster recovery projects. Normal regulatory review under Section 106 of the NHPA takes an average of forty-five days. The PA allows FEMA to make independent compliance decisions on routine projects, allowing review to be completed in two days or less. This reduction in the time required for review translates into faster disbursement of recovery funds, which is in the best interests of the recipients of disaster recovery funding in Illinois.

If you have any questions after reviewing this report, feel free to contact me at 312-408-5549 or fema-r5-environmental@fema.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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***2025 Annual Report Regarding the Programmatic Agreement among
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Requirement:

Paragraph I.B.1(d) of the captioned programmatic agreement (PA) requires FEMA to provide the Signatories with an annual written report of activities conducted under this PA. The report is to summarize the actions taken to implement the terms of this Agreement, provide statistics on Undertakings reviewed, and recommend any actions or revisions to be considered, including updates to the appendices.

This report includes the following information:

- A summary of projects approved under allowances organized by FEMA program,
- A list of properties determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places,
- A summary of archaeological activities conducted under the program,
- FEMA's views regarding the effectiveness of the agreement, and
- Suggestions for additional actions to be considered for adoption as programmatic allowances.

This report includes only projects *approved for funding* by FEMA during the 2025 calendar year under one or more programmatic allowances. It does not include:

- Undertakings approved after full Section 106 consultation,
- Undertakings providing emergency protective measures, which are not subject to Section 106 review,
- Undertakings without the potential to affect historic properties,
- Undertakings reviewed under the FCC nationwide programmatic agreements,
- Undertakings previously reviewed and resubmitted for cost adjustments,
- Undertakings currently under review for environmental / historic preservation compliance, and
- Undertakings funded under Public Assistance COVID disaster DR-4489-IL, reporting for which is being done under the ACHP's "Emergency Situation Procedures Regarding Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act Compliance for Federal Emergency Management Agency Undertakings Responding to COVID-19 Disasters and Emergencies," implemented on May 14, 2020, as amended.

Although project counts do not include those undergoing consultation under 36 CFR Part 800, the list of properties determined eligible for listing is drawn from all FEMA

undertakings during 2025. The section on archaeological activities covers all FEMA program activities as well.

In addition to these reporting requirements, in accord with Stipulation I.B(1)(b) FEMA is including in this report a formal statement regarding recipients authorized to initiate Section 106 consultation with SHPO on FEMA's behalf.

Project Summary:

Total Number of Projects Approved under programmatic allowances: 116

Approved projects are summarized below by program.

Disaster Recovery Grant Program

DR-4461: Severe storms and flooding February 24, 2019 - July 03, 2019, affecting twenty-eight (28) counties.

Projects Meeting Programmatic Allowances 5*

I.A. Ground Disturbing Activities and Site Modification	4
I.B. Buildings and Structures	0
I.C. Transportation Facilities.....	6
I.D. Warning Sirens.....	0
I.E. Vector Control.	0
II.A Ground Disturbing Activities and Site Work	0
II.B Buildings and Structures	0
II.C Transportation Facilities.....	0
II.D Utilities, Communications Systems and Towers	2
II.E Water Resource Management and Controls.....	2

DR-4728: Severe storms and flooding June 29, 2023 - July 2, 2023, affecting twenty-two (22) counties.

Projects Meeting Programmatic Allowances 3*

I.A. Ground Disturbing Activities and Site Modification	1
I.B. Buildings and Structures	0
I.C. Transportation Facilities.....	0
I.D. Warning Sirens.....	0
I.E. Vector Control.	0
II.A Ground Disturbing Activities and Site Work	2
II.B Buildings and Structures	5

* Total number of allowances may exceed the number of projects, as multiple allowances may be applied to various scope items for some undertakings.

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II.C Transportation Facilities.....	0
II.D Utilities, Communications Systems and Towers.....	1
II.E Water Resource Management and Controls.....	0

Preparedness Grant Programs

Projects Meeting Programmatic Allowances	104*
I.A Ground Disturbing Activities and Site Modification.....	18
I.B Buildings and Structures	41
I.C Transportation Facilities	1
I.D Warning Sirens.	0
I.E Vector Control.....	0
II.A Ground Disturbing Activities and Site Work.....	33
II.B Buildings and Structures	134
II.C Transportation Facilities	0
II.D Utilities, Communications Systems and Towers.....	24
II.E Water Resource Management and Controls	0

Mitigation Grant Program

Projects Meeting Programmatic Allowances	4*
I.A Ground Disturbing Activities and Site Modification.....	0
I.B Buildings and Structures	0
I.C Transportation Facilities	1
I.D Warning Sirens.	0
I.E Vector Control.....	0
II.A Ground Disturbing Activities and Site Work.....	1
II.B Buildings and Structures	0
II.C Transportation Facilities	2
II.D Utilities, Communications Systems and Towers.....	6
II.E Water Resource Management and Controls	1

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Properties Found Eligible for Listing in the National Register:

FEMA is not required to determine eligibility of resources affected by undertakings meeting the programmatic allowances, and such undertakings constitute the majority of projects reviewed each year. For undertakings reviewed in consultation with the SHPO during 2025, of the properties eligible for or already listed on the National Register of Historic Places, three (3) properties were found newly eligible for listing:

1.) HMGP IL HMGP-4461-0044-IL(1)

Monroe County Acquisition

FEMA found 3083 Maeystown Rd. Fults IL included in the project APE to be eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A and Criterion C for its architecture and as a religious property deriving primary significance from architectural or artistic merit.

2) NSGP IL 2024-UA-05109 (51879)

Springfield IL Congregation B'rith Sholom

FEMA found B'rith Sholom at 1004-1008 4th street to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places at the local level under Criterion C in Architecture.

3) NSGP IL 2024-UA-05109 (51249)

Long Grove IL Long Grove Church

FEMA found 1110 Robert Parker Coffin Rd. to be eligible for listing, constructed in 1862. Eligible for listing on the NRHP under Criterion C for its architecture.

Undertakings Requiring Archaeological Activities:

No archaeological surveys supporting a FEMA-funded project approved in 2025 were undertaken:

None

FEMA's Views Regarding the Effectiveness of the Agreement:

FEMA is satisfied with the agreement and finds that it has increased effectiveness and efficiency of reviews for undertakings funded by both disaster and grant programs.

Suggested Additions to Programmatic Allowances:

None at this time.

Recipient Authorized to Initiate Section 106 Consultation:

There are currently no authorized recipients initiating Section 106 consultation on FEMA's behalf in Illinois. Any attempt to initiate consultation for FEMA-funded

undertakings by anyone other than FEMA should be brought to FEMA's attention by email or telephone.

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