

RESPONSE COMMENTS TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CLEARINGHOUSE REPORT

Clearinghouse comment 5.c. The proposed rules currently include the following three main criteria to be used in determining eligibility of individual households to receive assistance:

- (1) “Eligible homeowner” is defined in s. Comm 156.20 (5).
- (2) “Eligible activities” are prescribed in s. Comm 156.32.
- (3) “Eligible property” is prescribed in s. Comm 156.34.

The Department plans to provide implementation training to the administering entity or entities. The materials provided at the training are expected to include guidance for calculating household income, conducting an inspection to ensure that the repairs address all critical needs, and bidding for repairs.

The entities that are expected to apply to the Department for administering the funding are also expected to already be using their own procedures for providing financial assistance to individual homeowners.

Under the contracts prescribed in s. Comm 156.60, the administering entities will file periodic progress reports with the Department.

Consequently, the Department believes that further criteria are not needed in the rules, for the administering entities to use in making individual grants.

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