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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
451 7th Street S.W.
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RE: 2016 Floods and Storms - State of Texas Plan for Disaster Recovery: Amendment No. 3

Dear Ms. Parker:

The Texas General Land Office (GLO) is pleased to present the State of Texas Plan for Disaster Recovery: Nonsubstantial Amendment No. 3 for 2016 Floods and Storms CDBG-DR allocation. This nonsubstantial amendment clarifies the use of the state's 10 percent planning funds appropriation from the combined three HUD CDBG-DR allocations for Texas totaling \$23,889,500. The language describing the planning activities has changed from "statewide flood management studies" to "urban flood impact initiatives (Studies) as well as other planning activities that benefit the affected areas with the goal of furthering flood resiliency throughout the state."

As required by the Federal Register Notice, the GLO is notifying HUD of the Action Plan Nonsubstantial Amendment No. 3. HUD will acknowledge receipt of the notification of the nonsubstantial amendment via email within 5 business days. This nonsubstantial amendment will become effective after 5 business days of notification to HUD.

If you need any additional information on the Action Plan Nonsubstantial Amendment No. 3, please feel free to contact Heather Lagrone at <a href="https://exas.gov.needings.ne

Sincerely,

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State of Texas Plan for Disaster Recovery Amendment No. 3

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

Section 145 of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2017

(Pub. L. 114-223, approved September 29, 2016) & Section 101 of the Furthering

Continuing and Security Assistance Appropriations Act, 2017 (division A of Pub. L. 114-254, approved December 10, 2016) & (Pub. L. 115-31, approved May 5, 2017)

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Flood Damage in the Houston Region on June 3, 2016 – Photo Courtesy of Twitter.com/GregAbbott_TX

Amendment No. 3

This document constitutes the Third Amendment to the *State of Texas Plan for Disaster Recovery* (Action Plan) dated March 10, 2017, for CDBG disaster recovery funds related to the 2016 flood events (DR-4266, DR-4269, and DR-4272).

Changes contained in Action Plan Amendment No. 3 are noted below.

This Nonsubstantial Amendment clarifies the use of the state's 10 percent planning funds appropriation from the combined three HUD CDBG-DR allocations for Texas totaling \$23,889,500. The language describing the planning activities has changed from "statewide flood management studies" to "urban flood impact initiatives (Studies) as well as other planning activities that benefit the affected areas with the goal of furthering flood resiliency throughout the state." All other information, requirements, and certifications contained in the Action Plan remain in force unless addressed in this amendment.

HUD will be notified of the Action Plan Nonsubstantial Amendment No. 3 and will acknowledge receipt of the notification of the nonsubstantial amendment via email within 5 business days. This nonsubstantial amendment will become effective after 5 business days of notification to HUD.

II. Needs Assessment

J. Planning Studies

The HUD appropriation regulation for the CDBG-DR funds requires the State to examine its goals and objectives to promote sound, sustainable long-term recovery planning that is informed by a post-disaster evaluation and coordinated with other local and regional planning efforts. To further resiliency throughout the State, the Texas General Land Office will utilize this appropriation to fund urban flood impact initiatives (Studies) as well as other planning activities that benefit the affected areas with the goal of furthering flood resiliency throughout the state.

It is expected that not all of the funds allocated here will be spent on direct planning activities. At the conclusion of the Studies, the remaining funds will be used to implement Study-prioritized activities. An Action Plan Amendment will be necessary to transfer planning funds to specific project uses. As required with any Action Plan Amendment, the GLO citizen participation plan will be fully implemented to notify the public of the results of the Study and the specific projects being funded.