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Memo

To: Local Governments Applying for 2026 CDBG-DR Funding
From: SGRC – Community Development Division
Tonia Hendricks
Date: July 20, 2026
Re: Conflict of Interest Requirements

PLEASE BE ADVISED:

Local governments submitting 2026 CDBG-DR applications must comply with Federal “Conflict of Interest” regulations. Any person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected official or appointed official of the state, or of a unit of general local government, or of any designated public agencies, or subrecipients which are applying for CDBG-DR funding must pay strict attention to the following information:

If an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected official or appointed official of the state, or of a unit of general local government, or of any designated public agencies, or subrecipients could be affected (in any way) by CDBG-DR funding, a FULL DISCLOSURE must be submitted to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) as part of the 2026 CDBG-DR application. Additionally, the person(s) affected must not participate in project discussion, planning, or voting. Please notify the SGRC Community Development Division IMMEDIATELY if a conflict of interest is identified.

The Conflict-of-Interest provision in the “Common Rule”, (24 CFR 85.36 and 24 CFR 84.42) are applicable when a local government CDBG-DR Recipient contracts for the procurement of goods and services AS WELL AS to all CDBG-DR grants and activities. The following summarizes this regulation:

- A. **Conflicts Prohibited:** No persons described in paragraph B. below who exercise or have exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to activities assisted with CDBG-DR funds or who are in a position to participate in a decision making process or gain inside information with regard to these activities, may obtain a financial interest OR benefit from a CDBG-DR-assisted activity, or have an interest in any contract, subcontract or agreement with respect hereto, or in the proceeds thereunder, either for themselves or those with whom they have family or business ties, during their tenure or for one year thereafter.
- B. **Persons Covered.** The conflict-of-interest provisions of paragraph A. above applies to ANY person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected official or appointed official of the state, or of a unit of general local government, or of any designated public agencies, or subrecipients which are receiving or administering CDBG-DR funds.