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Deadline for counties to apply for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funding extended

Clanton –The deadline for counties to apply for Hazard Mitigation funds has been extended until **October 27, 2011**. County emergency managers have received this notification. These funds are available as a result of the April 27th storms.

“Due to the catastrophic nature of the April tornadoes we feel that this extension is necessary,” said Director Art Faulkner. “We want as many people as possible to have the opportunity to rebuild their home safer.”

Local jurisdictions are being encouraged to apply for eligible projects which they have determined are a priority in their communities. These may include individual or community safe rooms or other projects that will reduce the impact of future disasters on their citizens and their infrastructure.

The Hazard Mitigation Grant Program provides grants to States and local governments to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures after a major disaster declaration. The purpose of the HMGP is to reduce the loss of life and property due to natural disasters and to enable mitigation measures to be implemented during the immediate recovery from a disaster.

Individual applicants can not submit their application to Alabama Emergency Management Agency, it is essential that they work with their local EMA office.

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