




# Region 1 RSC Meeting #14

July 7, 2021

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# AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Minutes
3. Round 1 Regional Project Selection
4. Transitioning from RSC to Coalition
5. Closeout





# ROLL CALL

Bienville • Rodney Warren

Bossier • Butch Ford

Caddo • Ali Mustapha

Claiborne

DeSoto • Steve Brown

Grant • Morgan Briggs

Natchitoches • Rick Nowlin

Rapides • Matt Johns

Red River • Shane Young

Sabine • William Ruffin

Webster • Nick Cox

Winn • Frank McLaren

at-large • John Michael Moore

at-large • Lindsey Gouedy

at-large • Zazell Dudley



# Adopt Minutes

**June 8, 2021**

- Sent out for review on 6/30/2021
- Adopt as-is
- Corrections or additional information needed



# Public Comment on Round 1 Regional Project Selection







## Round 1 Regional Project Selection



# UNFUNDED PROJECTS MOVING TO REGIONAL SELECTION PROCESS

**\$7.3 Million Requested**

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<del>21</del>	<del>Bossier Parish Police Jury</del>	<del>Lucky Estates Drainage Project</del>	<del>Installation of culverts, flap gates and weirs at several locations near and around the Lucky Estates subdivision</del>	1,000,000	<b><del>1,000,000</del></b>
23	Natchitoches Parish	East Natchitoches Drainage Improvements	Construction of a stormwater conveyance ditch from the East Natchitoches Drainage Canal northward to an improved outfall at Cane River Lake	3,430,653	<b>3,430,653</b>
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**\$294,691 remaining after funding  
Haughton & Natchitoches**



# Watershed Projects Grant Program: Local & Regional - Round 1

## Program Policies and Procedures

### Watershed Regional Awards – up to \$5 Million per each of 8 Watershed Regions

- Funds can return to the state selection process in the cases of an established deadline for round 1 regional awards or if a region does not have eligible projects up to \$5 million. The state may either select the projects to be funded through the regional award process in round 1 or increase the funds available for rounds 2 or 3.





## Staff Recommendation

- Fund full amount requested to town of Haughton for Foxskin Bayou Drainage Improvements.
- Fund full amount requested to Natchitoches Parish for East Natchitoches Drainage Improvements.
- The remaining balance to Webster Parish for Dorcheat Road Bridge project contingent upon local funds becoming available.





## Transitioning from RSC to Coalition





# Changes for the RSC

- The Regional Steering Committee has now completed all previously stated deliverables.
- Shifting to quarterly meetings to continue regional collaboration and track legislative progress towards establishing a more permanent Coalition.



# RISK RATING 2.0

FEMA is updating the National Flood Insurance Program's risk rating methodology through the implementation of a new pricing methodology called **Risk Rating 2.0 - Equity in Action**. The methodology leverages industry best practices and cutting-edge technology to enable FEMA to deliver rates that are actuarially sound, equitable, easier to understand and better reflect a property's flood risk.

This webinar brings agents the latest information on how and when Risk Rating 2.0 will be implemented. It will also discuss the following key topics:

- What is Risk Rating 2.0: Equity in Action
- What led to this NFIP transformation
- The NFIP today
- What is changing
- What is not changing
- Transition of current policies



## Risk Rating 2.0 - Equity in Action Webinars for Agents

Presented by the National Flood Insurance Program

July 2021 - Register Now!  
(Capacity is Limited)

July 13 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

July 20 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

July 22 10 a.m. – noon

July 29 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR  
UPCOMING SESSIONS:**

**August 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26, and 31.**

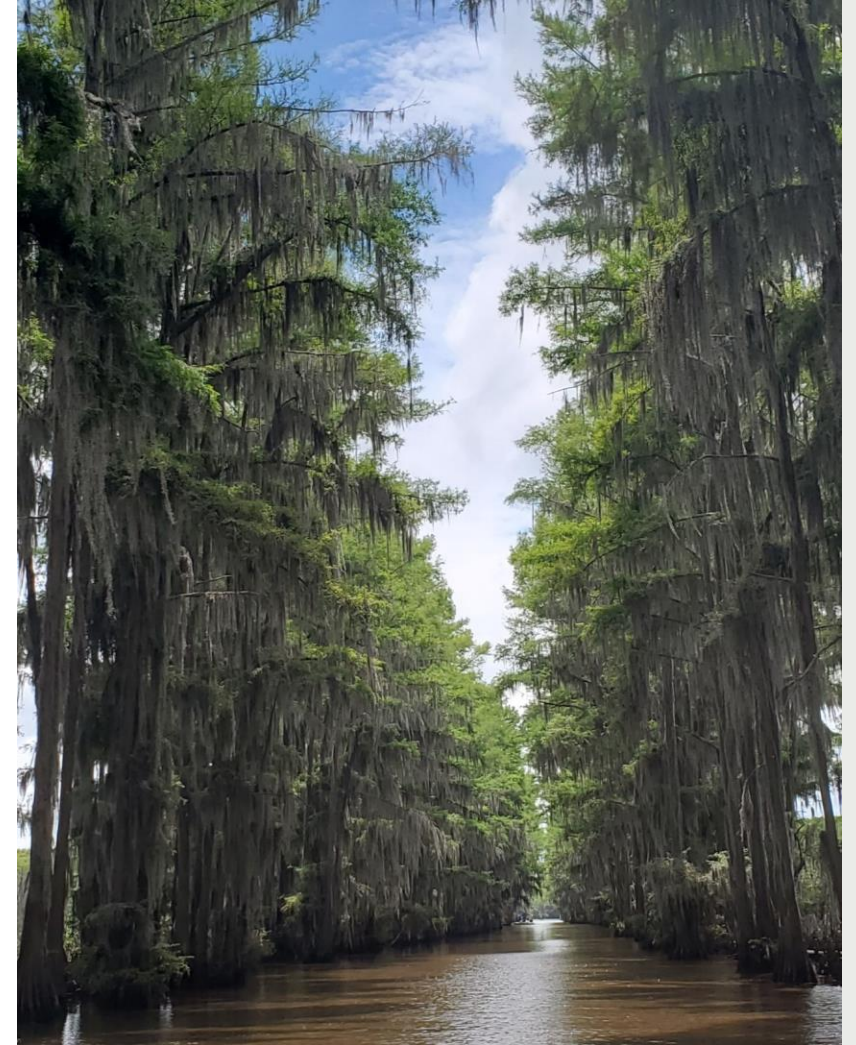
**Additionally, FEMA will be offering a *Risk Rating 2.0, Equity in Action for FEMA Region 6 Floodplain Administrators* webinar on August 10, 2021, from 1:30-3:30 pm Central.**





# Closeout

- Q & A
- Public Comment
- Adjourn





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