

COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION,
TOURISM, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Senator DiCeglie, Chair
Senator Polsky, Vice Chair**

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, February 5, 2025
TIME: 1:15—2:45 p.m.
PLACE: *Toni Jennings Committee Room, 110 Senate Building*

MEMBERS: Senator DiCeglie, Chair; Senator Polsky, Vice Chair; Senators Arrington, Avila, Bernard, Collins, Grall, Ingoglia, Leek, Martin, McClain, Sharief, Smith, Truenow, and Wright

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	Program Review: Division of Emergency Management - FEMA Reimbursement Process		Presented
2	Other Related Meeting Documents		



Florida Division of Emergency Management

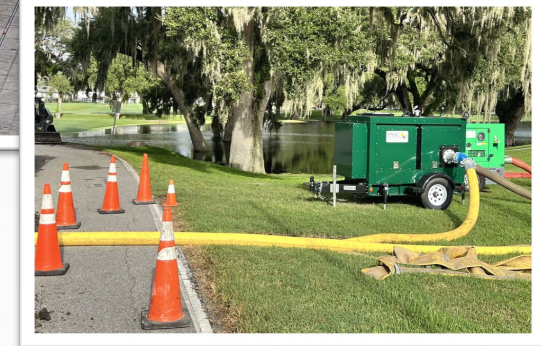
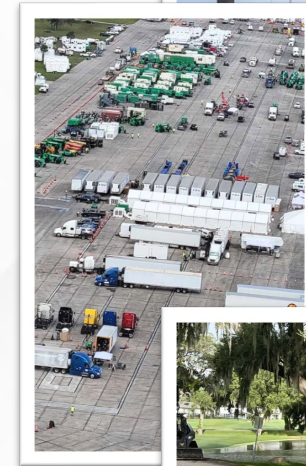
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Hurricane Debby – August 5, 2024

Immediate: RESPONSE

- **Human Services**
 - More than **104,000** hot meals, **6,800** food boxes, **218,000** shelf-stable meals, **321,000** bottles of water, **20** truckloads of ice and **18,000** tarps distributed
- **Emergency Services**
 - **7** State USAR Teams and **4** EMAC Swiftwater teams deployed for search and rescue
- **Infrastructure**
 - Full power restoration to **over 307,900** customers **within four days**
 - **119** Starlinks deployed
- **Logistics**
 - **12,200** linear feet of Flood Control Systems deployed to fight flooding effects, as well as **48** pumps that pumped **over 591 million** gallons of water
 - **97** generators deployed

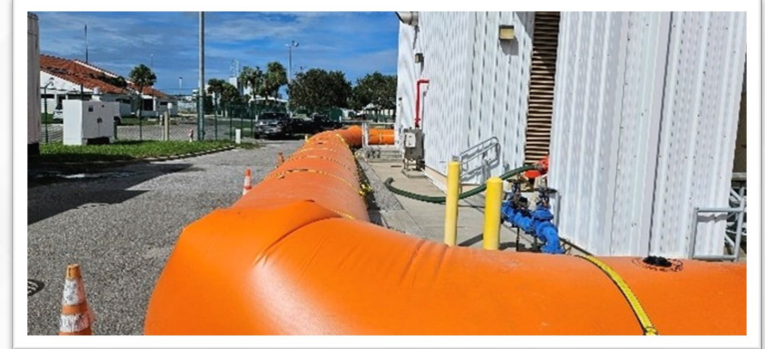




Hurricane Debby – August 5, 2024

Ongoing: RECOVERY & MITIGATION

- **Public Assistance**
 - Obligated: **\$146.1 million**
 - In Development: **\$36.2 million**
- **Hazard Mitigation Grant Program**
 - The state is currently estimated to receive **\$45.4 million** in hazard mitigation funding to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures in communities impacted by Hurricane Debby





Hurricane Helene – September 26, 2024

Immediate: RESPONSE

- **Human Services**
 - More than **977,000** hot meals, **48,000** food boxes, **1 million** shelf-stable meals, **1.5 million** bottles of water, **70 truckloads** of ice and **54,000 tarps** distributed
- **Emergency Services**
 - **1,250** personnel deployed for search and rescue
- **Infrastructure**
 - Full power restoration to **over 1.2 million** customers **within seven days**
 - **183** Starlinks deployed
- **Logistics**
 - **10,700 linear feet of Flood Control Systems** deployed to fight flooding effects, as well as **106** pumps that pumped **1.4 billion gallons** of water
 - **581** generators deployed





Hurricane Helene – September 26, 2024

Ongoing: RECOVERY

- **Debris Task Force**
 - Following Hurricane Helene and prior to Hurricane Milton, the Debris Task Force quickly coordinated with local officials on how to better address the counties' needs
 - As of December 2024, more than **37 million cubic yards** of upland debris and **311,000 cubic yards** of waterway debris have been removed post-Helene and Milton
- **Public Assistance**
 - Obligated: **\$386 million**





Hurricane Milton – October 9, 2024

Immediate: RESPONSE

- **Human Services**

- Over **1.1 million** hot meals, **124,000** food boxes, **1.2 million** shelf stable meals, **1.5 million** bottles of water, **70** truckloads of ice and **83,900** tarps distributed
- Over **200** Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (VOADs) assisted in response and recovery

- **Emergency Services**

- **1,700** personnel deployed for search and rescue

- **Infrastructure**

- Full power restoration to **nearly 3.4 million** customers **within seven days**
- **Prevention of over \$2 million dollars in economic losses** for Florida's strawberry and aquaculture producers due to generators provided by the SERT

- **Logistics**

- **35,500** linear feet of Flood Control Systems deployed to fight flooding effects, as well as **235** pumps that pumped **3.3 billion** gallons of water
- **819** generators deployed





Hurricane Milton – October 9, 2024

Ongoing: RECOVERY

- **State Non-Congregate Sheltering Program**
 - Survivors in **52** counties whose homes were impacted by both Helene and Milton were eligible to apply for Non-Congregate Sheltering through Hope Florida
 - **Over 1,000** displaced households sheltered
 - **Over 650** travel trailers donated to local jurisdictions and non-profit partners
- **Volunteer Village**
 - Sarasota County – At its peak, provided lodging for up to **250** volunteers to serve surrounding impacted communities
- **Public Assistance**
 - Obligated: **\$1.1 billion**





FDEM Base Operating Budget Overview

Positions	State General Revenue	Trust Funds	Total
225 FTE / 177 OPS*	\$15.29 Million	\$74.35 Million	\$89.64 Million
	17.06%	82.94%	

*FDEM is not requesting additional personnel for the fiscal year 2025-2026.



Measurable Data / Metrics

Data	Amount Obligated	Amount Drawn	Available Balance	Metric
Federally Declared Disaster Draws into the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund	\$2.83 Billion	\$1.26 Billion	\$1.57 Billion	Improve efficiency on the timeliness of drawing funds

In addition, FDEM has drawn down on average \$572 million in federal funds over the past two years into the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund (EPRF).



FEMA Passthrough Overview

Data	Available for Passthrough	Distributed	Remaining
All FDEM Managed FEMA Grants And Programs*	\$15.34 Billion	\$10.3 Billion	\$5.04 Billion
Federally Funded, FDEM Managed, Locally Executed.			

*This includes all Federal programs from FEMA across all FDEM program areas and grants administered by FDEM.



Public Assistance (PA) Projects and Number of Applicants

PA Projects*	Number of Applicants	Funds Total	Disbursed	Remaining
22,278	1,528	\$14.28 Billion	\$9.95 Billion	\$4.33 Billion

Note: Applicants may have multiple projects in multiple events.

*PA Projects are based on open Federally declared disasters.

Thank You



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SENATOR ERIN GRALL
29th District

February 4, 2025

Dear Chair DiCeglie,

I respectfully request an excused absence from the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development on February 5, 2025 at 1:15pm.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Erin K. Grall".

Senator Erin Grall
Florida Senate, District 29

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