



STATEWIDE FLOOD CONTROL PROGRAM

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The Purpose of the Statewide Flood Control Program: to reduce existing flood damages through an active, innovative approach that considers both structural and non-structural solutions

Program Features

- **Competitive** - Projects are evaluated based on potential damage reduction versus State investment
- **Cost-shared** - The program provides up to 90% of the construction cost for non-federal projects and up to 70% of non-federal participants' share of federal projects
- **Uniquely structured** – Ensures equitable distribution of funds statewide and all levels of local government from the biggest parishes and cities down to the smallest towns and villages can compete successfully

Who May Apply: Parish or Municipal Governments, Levee Boards, Drainage Districts

Program Eligibility

- Must reduce existing flood damages
- Does not encourage additional development in flood prone areas
- Does not adversely affect upstream or downstream flooding
- Must have a construction cost of \$100,000 or more
- Must be a stand-alone project

Types of Projects: Channel Enlargement, Levees, Pump Stations, Relocation of Dwellings & Business Structures, Reservoirs, Other Flood Damage Reduction Measures

Program Funding - Funds are distributed on a two-tiered system:

- 45% of annual program funds to the following urban areas: Shreveport, Bossier City, Monroe, Alexandria, Lake Charles, Lafayette, Baton Rouge, New Orleans, and Jefferson Parish. (There is a 20% max. to a single urban area)
- 55% of annual program funds allocated by district to 2 classifications: rural developed/rural un-developed on a pro rata basis using total area and total flood plain area and undeveloped/developed area. The Rural Funding Districts are: Northwest, Northeast, Southwest, South Central, and Southeast

Applying for Funding: The application process consists of two steps:

- **Pre-Application – Due by May 1.** The sponsor must agree to assume responsibility for its share of project costs (right-of-way acquisition, operation and maintenance costs and local match.) The pre-application includes a non-technical description of the project that documents the existing flooding problem under existing conditions, details the magnitude and frequency of the flooding problem and lists possible solutions.
- **Application** - Due October 1 within four years of the pre-application. Must include justification of the need for the project, investigation of alternative solutions, selection of the cost-effective solution, hydraulic calculations with AND without the project, a detailed construction cost estimate, and calculated program benefits