



## Memorandum

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**Subject:** NCDOC DCR Adoption of HUD Addendum to FEMA Programmatic Agreement for CDBG-DR/MIT projects

This memorandum relates to the North Carolina Department of Commerce (NCDOC), Division of Community Revitalization's (DCR), intent to adopt a HUD Addendum to *Programmatic Agreement Among the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Officer, the North Carolina Department of Public Safety, and Tribal Nations*, which was executed on December 19, 2025.

DCR serves as the Responsible Entity administering the CDBG-DR funds and facilitating the HUD environmental review procedures in accordance with 24 CFR Part 58 for Hurricane Helene recovery efforts across western North Carolina. The Renew NC program supports housing recovery for single-family (1-4 unit) structures across the eligible HUD and State identified Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) areas (refer to [HUD-Approved State Action Plan](#)). Exact project locations are unknown and based on applications to the program; however, eligible program activities include rehabilitation, demolition, reconstruction, relocation, and new construction. These activities have the potential to include associated ground disturbance as necessary to repair hurricane damage. In total, the program expects more than 3000 projects to be completed under this program.

Therefore, utilizing the existing statewide PA will help DCR streamline the environmental review processes more efficiently and ensure compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic

Preservation Act and its implementing regulations under 36 CFR Part 800, accelerating disaster assistance to Helene survivors and impacted communities.

Written comments regarding the adoption of the Programmatic Agreement must be received by DCR at the following address on or before 15 days after publication. Written comments will be accepted [via email](#) or by post at the following mailing address:

NC Department of Commerce, Division of Community Revitalization  
ATTN: Stephanie McGarrah, Deputy Secretary  
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Related documents:

- [Draft HUD Addendum to the NC Prototype FEMA PA](#)
- [NC Statewide Historic Preservation Programmatic Agreement](#)