


## [DPS.VEMFunding] Funding Announcement: Project Scoping to Develop Flood Reduction Projects

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Advance Assistance PnP Package.pdf; HMA\_AdAsst\_Application Form\_DR-4720.docx; 25% Match Commitment Letter - General.docx; Summary-Sheet-for-Assurances-and-Certification.pdf; ATT00001.txt;

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### Funding Announcement – **Project Scoping (called advance assistance) Under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)**

- Funding is available for municipalities following the July flooding event under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) to scope potential future projects to reduce risk.
- **Projects scoped using HMGP funding are required to submit an application to implement a project under the same funding round, with an anticipated deadline of late 2024.**
- Scoping can be for a specific project or problem, like a dam removal or upsizing a bridge, or it can be utilized to assess a broader area within a community to develop potential alternatives to reduce future flood risk (such as floodplain restoration, upsizing infrastructure, etc.). Applications can also include engineering for designs of residential elevation projects or commercial and municipal floodproofing projects.
- Scoping applications generally include hiring an engineer to complete an assessment of the river and development of potential alternatives, selection of a preferred alternative, and development of designs, budget, and scope for the preferred alternative. Additionally, applications can include the development of a Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA), which is required to apply for FEMA implementation funding.
- Communities are responsible for a **required 25% non-federal match**. Local ARPA funding can be used as match in most cases.

Please see the application forms attached– **if you are interested in applying, fill out the forms and return to [dps.hazardmitigation@vermont.gov](mailto:dps.hazardmitigation@vermont.gov)**. Applications for project scoping will be accepted until **January 31, 2024**.

Reach out if you have any questions,  
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