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From: Dan Rees
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Here is a draft of some possible approp language addressing Duplication of Benefits and environmental



issues

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Pat Forbes
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Where: 1-888-557-8511 PIN 6253481

To discuss list for congressional ask for November session. Objective will be to have an all-inclusive list of things we may want to request to present to Governor's office for review. Let me know if this time doesn't work. We'll try to have a version of the list so far out to all for review before the meeting. Let me know if this time doesn't work for you. Also weigh in with others to invite. This doesn't have to be the final version coming out, but we need to all catch up on where we are at this point.

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Community Planning and Development

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

For an additional amount for the "Community development fund", for necessary expenses related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, and restoration of infrastructure in the most impacted and distressed areas related to the consequences of flooding in the State of Louisiana in March 2016 and August 2016 in parishes for which the President declared a major disaster under title IV of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.) \$2,800,000,000, to remain available until expended, for activities authorized under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-383):

Provided, That funds provided under this heading shall be administered through an entity or entities designated by the Governor of the State:

Provided further, That such funds may not be used for activities reimbursable by or for which funds are made available by the Federal Emergency Management Agency or the Army Corps of Engineers: *Provided further*, That funds allocated under this heading shall not adversely affect the amount of any formula assistance received by a State under this heading:

Provided further, That the State may use up to five percent of its allocation for administrative costs:

Provided further, That in administering the funds under this heading, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall waive, or specify alternative requirements for, any provision of any statute or regulation that the Secretary administers in connection with the obligation by the Secretary or the use by the recipient of these funds or guarantees (except for requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, and labor standards) upon a request by the State that such waiver is required to facilitate the use of such funds or guarantees, and a finding by the Secretary that such waiver would not be inconsistent with the overall purpose of the statute, as modified; any that any wavier with respect to statutory environmental clearance requirements shall be limited to repair or rehabilitation of single family residential structures and non-residential structures:

Provided further, That the Secretary may waive the requirement that activities benefit persons of low and moderate income, except that at least 50 percent of the funds made available under this heading must benefit primarily persons of low and moderate income unless the Secretary otherwise makes a finding of compelling need:

Provided further, That the Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register any waiver of any statute or regulation that the Secretary administers pursuant to title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of

1974 no later than 5 days before the effective date of such waiver:

Provided further, That every waiver made by the Secretary must be reconsidered according to the three previous provisos on the two-year anniversary of the day the Secretary published the waiver in the Federal Register:

Provided further, That prior to the obligation of funds each State shall submit a plan to the Secretary detailing the proposed use of all funds, including criteria for eligibility and how the use of these funds will address long-term recovery and restoration of infrastructure:

Provided further, That each State will report quarterly to the Committees on Appropriations on all awards and uses of funds made available under this heading, including specifically identifying all awards of sole-source contracts and the rationale for making the award on a sole-source basis:

Provided further, That the Secretary shall notify the Committees on Appropriations on any proposed allocation of any funds and any related waivers made pursuant to these provisions under this heading no later than 5 days before such waiver is made:

Provided further, That the Secretary shall establish procedures to prevent recipients from receiving any duplication of benefits and report quarterly to the Committees on Appropriations with regard to all steps taken to prevent fraud and abuse of funds made available under this heading including duplication of benefits; **and that duplication of benefits procedures shall (1) allow recipients of Small Business Administration Disaster loans for disaster –related damage from either of the two flooding events to their homes may be eligible for reimbursement at the discretion of the State for documented repairs, rehabilitation or eligible mitigation work performed on their home, in which event the reimbursement shall be made directly to the Small Business Administration on behalf of the eligible homeowner for the purpose of reducing the homeowner’s outstanding debt obligation to the Small Business Administration for such loan proceeds, and any remaining reimbursement paid directly to the homeowner; (2) require donations of labor or materials from volunteer or philanthropic organizations for the benefit of a homeowner constitute a duplication of benefits only to the extent the value of such labor or materials used for that home has been used as to satisfy a matching requirement for any other Federal program.**

Provided further, That the amounts provided under this heading are designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 402 of H. Con. Res. 95 (109th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year **2107.**