MEMORANDUM

TO:    Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety
       Chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety
       Fiscal Research Division

FROM:  Eddie M. Buffaloe, Jr., Secretary
        William C. Ray, Director

RE:    Competitive Emergency Management Grants

DATE:  February 1, 2022

Session Law 2021-180, Section 19E.5.(a) provides competitive grants to county emergency management agencies located in counties with a population of 210,000 or fewer, based upon the 2019 Certified County Population Estimates from the State Demographer in the Office of State Budget and Management. Grants shall be used to ensure local emergency management offices are adequately equipped, trained, and prepared for all hazards and emergencies.

Pursuant to Session Law 2021-180, Section 19E.5.(b), the Division [of Emergency Management] shall report on the awarding of grant funds pursuant to subsection (a) of this section by February 1, 2022, and by January 15 of each year thereafter until the funds appropriated by this section are expended.

Attached is an update on the awarding of grant funds.
Department of Public Safety

1. **Competitive Emergency Management Grants**
   SL 2021-180 Section 19E.5(a)

The funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management, to provide competitive grants to county emergency management agencies established in accordance with G.S. 166A-19.15 shall only be awarded to county emergency management agencies located in counties with a population of 210,000 or fewer, based upon the 2019 Certified County Population Estimates from the State Demographer in the Office of State Budget and Management. Grants shall be used to ensure local emergency management offices are adequately equipped, trained, and prepared for all hazards and emergencies. The Division shall develop policies and procedures to implement a competitive grant program consistent with this section.

**Responsible Department and Agency**

*Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management*

**Funding Allocation Update**

- Appropriated $3,000,000.00
- Expended $0
- Obligated $0
- Unobligated Balance $3,000,000.00

**Summary of Activities**

The agency has been executing logistical tasks to implement this program. No funds have been awarded to specific eligible entities as of 12/31/21.

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