

(I) IS UNDERTAKEN AS PART OF A COMPREHENSIVE FLOOD MANAGEMENT PLAN PREPARED AND ADOPTED BY THE SUBDIVISION; AND

(II) IS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH ANY STATE OR INTERJURISDICTIONAL FLOOD MANAGEMENT PLAN.

(2) THE AMOUNT OF ANY GRANT MADE BY THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BE MATCHED BY A MINIMUM AMOUNT OF 50 PERCENT OF LOCAL FUNDS FOR A PROJECT. THE DEPARTMENT MAY PROVIDE UP TO 50 PERCENT OF THE NONFEDERAL SHARE OF THE FUNDING FOR A PROJECT WHICH MEETS THE CRITERIA OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(3) TO RECEIVE A GRANT, THE SUBDIVISION MUST PARTICIPATE IN THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM.

(4) BEFORE MAKING A GRANT, THE DEPARTMENT, IN COOPERATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE PLANNING, SHALL REVIEW THE FLOOD CONTROL AND WATERSHED MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS OF THE APPLICANT SUBDIVISION TO ASSURE THAT THEY ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE.

(5) THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE PLANNING, SHALL PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS NECESSARY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE GRANT PROGRAM. THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS MAY INCLUDE:

(I) A DETERMINATION OF STATEWIDE AND INTERJURISDICTIONAL NEEDS AND PRIORITIES;

(II) STANDARDS OF ELIGIBILITY FOR APPLICANTS AND PROJECTS;

(III) CRITERIA FOR RECOGNITION OF TIDAL AND NONTIDAL AREAS;

(IV) ENGINEERING AND ECONOMIC STANDARDS AND ALTERNATIVES; AND

(V) PROCEDURES FOR FILING AND PROCESSING CONTENTS OF APPLICATIONS.

(6) EACH PROJECT APPLICATION SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO AND REVIEWED BY THE STATE CLEARINGHOUSE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE PLANNING IN ACCORDANCE WITH ESTABLISHED CLEARINGHOUSE PROCEDURES.

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(a) The Department shall assure that State construction projects and state-assisted construction projects meet the requirements of this subtitle.

(b) The Department shall evaluate the effects of changes in the character of the watersheds. In order to

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