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Subject: RE: Story on HUD flood recovery money

I am here.

The punchline is that Richland, Lexington, and the City of Columbia received 38% of funds that the Governor requested from Congress to be used solely for Housing. Accordingly, the State is not operating in the geographic regions covered by other grantees.

The State made this as a general policy decision, but the data analysis used in the State's action plan – the Social Vulnerability Index (SOVI) used by the University of South Carolina displays the intersection of flood damage and low-to moderate-income individuals as being most acute in the Williamsburg and Georgetown areas, indicating that the other grantees received proportionately generous allocations with respect to statewide unmet needs.

The Action Plan is available here: <http://scommerce.com/south-carolina-disaster-recovery-assistance>

We have heard that, in Richland County and City of Columbia specifically, there is a push to use their allocation on activities other than housing such as water and sewer infrastructure. That's a decision those governments have to make and they will have to explain that to their constituents.

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From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Tuesday, July 05, 2016 1:48 PM
To: Adams, Chaney; Baker, Josh; Glaccum, David
Subject: RE: Story on HUD flood recovery money

First, Chaney, please call Avery, and see who he is talking to for this story. Second, please make sure he will take a background call from our office on this.

Josh/David – are y'all prepared to do a call with him as soon as possible?

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From: Adams, Chaney
Sent: Tuesday, July 05, 2016 1:46 PM
To: Baker, Josh; Glaccum, David
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Subject: FW: Story on HUD flood recovery money

Josh and David, what do we have to add here?

From: Wilks, Avery [<mailto:awilks@thestate.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 05, 2016 1:27 PM
To: Adams, Chaney
Subject: Story on HUD flood recovery money

Hey Chaney,

I'm writing a story for tomorrow's paper on the state's action plan for its \$96.8 million in HUD flood recovery money.

The gist of the story - and what our readers will care about - is that none of that \$96.8 million is planned to be spent in Richland County, Lexington County or Columbia.

Those jurisdictions received direct allocations from HUD, but some city councilmembers have said they believe some of the state's allocation (\$96.8 million) should go to their areas as well, as they were hit hard by the storm.

Where does the governor stand on this?

Thanks,
-Avery

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