



North Carolina General Assembly
Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

November 7, 2024

Ms. Laura Hogshead
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N.C. Office of Recovery & Resiliency
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Durham, NC 27709

Dear Ms. Hogshead:

The Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations Subcommittee on Hurricane Response and Recovery requests your appearance to testify on Monday, November 18, 2024, in the Legislative Building Auditorium. The hearing begins at 1:00pm and should conclude by 4:00pm.

As Director of the North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency (NCORR), you have been responsible for oversight of critical components of North Carolina's hurricane response and recovery processes through RebuildNC. Furthermore, you also have responsibility for ensuring that NCORR operates in a fiscally responsible manner. In your testimony, please address the following topics:

- Timeline of when NCORR leadership was aware of the need for additional funds to continue operations;
- NCORR financials for FY 2023-24 and monthly financials for the current fiscal year through October 31, 2024;
- Details on how NCORR monitors Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) fund obligations, encumbrances, and expenditures;
- The progress and completion of homes to date; and
- The coordination and relationship between state government entities including the Governor's Office, the Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM), other divisions within the Department of Public Safety (DPS), and NCORR to overcome financial and programmatic challenges within the Homeowner Recovery Program (HRP).

Please read this letter carefully to ensure that you comply with all hearing requirements and that you understand your rights as a witness.



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Each witness who is to appear before a Subcommittee of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations must file with the Subcommittee Clerks a written statement of proposed testimony. **This must be filed at least five days before your appearance. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the exclusion of your written testimony from the hearing record and/or the barring of your oral presentation of the testimony.** Your oral testimony should not exceed fifteen minutes and should summarize your written remarks. Responses to questions at the hearing should be limited to no more than five minutes per response.

A witness appearing before the Subcommittee must include with their written testimony, a current resume summarizing education, experience, and affiliations pertinent to the subject matter of the hearing.

Witnesses at hearings may be accompanied by their own counsel to advise them concerning their constitutional rights but accompanying counsel shall not directly respond to questions. We reserve the right to place any witness under oath. Finally, witnesses may obtain a transcript copy of their testimony given in open, public session, or in a closed session only when authorized by the Subcommittee.

To fully prepare for this hearing, your testimony must be submitted electronically in Microsoft Word (docx), Microsoft PowerPoint (pptx), or Adobe Acrobat (pdf) format to NCGAGovOps@ncleg.gov no later than 1:00pm Wednesday, November 13, 2024. Accommodations for individuals with disabilities, including assistive listening systems, interpreters, and materials in alternate formats, may be arranged by contacting the Subcommittee Clerks in advance of the hearing.

Should you or your staff have any questions or need additional information, please contact Brooke Mason at (919) 733-5977.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Brent Jackson in cursive.

Sen. Brent Jackson

Handwritten signature of John Bell in cursive.

Rep. John Bell