

North Carolina General Assembly Joint Legislatile Commission on Golernmental Operations

January 23, 2025

Pryor Gibson Director North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency P.O. Box 110465 Durham, NC 27709

Dear Mr. Gibson:

The Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations: Subcommittee on Hurricane Response and Recovery requests your appearance to testify on Thursday, January 30, 2025, in the Legislative Building Auditorium. The hearing begins at 9:00 a.m. and should conclude by 12:00 p.m.

As the Director for the North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency, you have the best understanding of the current status of the recovery efforts of Hurricanes Matthew and Florence. In your testimony, the Subcommittee asks that you address the following topics:

- Attrition and project completion by step for families in the Homeowners Recovery Program;
- Current delays in contract awards and notices to proceed;
- Timeliness of payments to general contractors, other vendors, and homeowners receiving Temporary Relocation Assistance;
- Funding levels to date and projections for depletion of federal funds;
- Plans for offboarding employees and contract staff;
- Updated schedule and amount of state funding needed to complete work; and
- Other topics as appropriate.

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

Each witness who is to appear before a subcommittee of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations must file a written statement of proposed testimony. This must be filed by close of business two 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.

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A witness appearing before a subcommittee of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations 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. The Subcommittee reserves 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 when authorized by the Subcommittee, or at any time when examined under oath.

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 Tuesday, January 28, 2025. Accommodations for individuals with disabilities, including assistive listening systems, interpreters, and materials in alternate formats, may be arranged by contacting the staff member below in advance of the hearing.

Should you or your staff have any questions or need additional information, please contact Haley Phillips at (919) 301-1458.

Sincerely,

Sen. Brent Jackson

Co-Chair

Rep. Brenden Jones

Co-Chair