

Hurricane Laura CAMERON PARISH, LA PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SERVICES FEMA PA

Project Summary

Delivering on commitments. Building long-term relationships.



CLIENT

Cameron Parish, LA

PROJECT TIMELINE

August 2020 – present

SERVICES

- Program Management
- Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs)
- Project Worksheet (PW) Development
- Technical Assistance
- Structural Assessments
- High-Resolution Aerial Imagery
- Geographic Information System (GIS) Services

OVERVIEW

Less than a month before Hurricane Laura made landfall on Louisiana's coast, Cameron Parish awarded HGA with a pre-event contract to provide Program Management services as needed for future disasters. The goal was to have a contractor in place to provide rapid support during and after an event. HGA swung into action as Laura approached and was on the scene immediately afterwards, helping Cameron Parish to assess the massive damage and to begin navigating FEMA's Public Assistance process for recovery.

Category **4** Landfall | **10** Feet of Storm Surge | **127 mph** Recorded Wind Gust
100% Loss of Power, Water, and Cell Service



DAMAGED ROAD AND BRIDGE MAINTENANCE BARN



AERIAL VIEW OF HURRICANE LAURA DAMAGES

SOLUTION

After Hurricane Laura made landfall in Cameron Parish, HGA arrived with boots on the ground to begin developing preliminary damage assessments (PDAs) within 12 hours of customer request for assistance. We had aircraft in the sky to do aerial reconnaissance within 72 hours of the request—which was within the first two days following landfall when it was safe to fly. HGA acquired and processed more than 250,000 acres of aerial imagery of Hurricane Laura damages in Cameron Parish during this period. Parish officials found this imagery invaluable when roads were still closed and phone service was still unreliable.

HGA is collecting force account labor using the Incident Command System (ICS) 214 form and documenting the equipment used for emergency protective measures. We have also been working with the insurance companies and are assisting with the scopes of repair for all damages. This work includes providing structural engineers to assess the damages to multiple parish facilities. HGA is providing technical assistance for procurement of contractors for permanent repairs. We will be writing 149 project worksheets (PWs) for the estimated \$40 million in identified damages.