



Mishap Prevention & Hazard Abatement (MPHA) Program **Frequently Ask Questions (FAQ)**

How long will it take for me to know if my project meets the program criteria?

- 1) Review the project requirements in OPNAV-M-5100.23H Chap 12 and other references on the MPHA web page.
- 2) You are encouraged to call your local Hazard Abatement Program Coordinator with questions about possible MPHA projects in the early stages of development.
- 3) Contact the MPHA team with any specific questions to help you determine if your project meets the program criteria required. In most cases the MPHA PM will be able to give you feedback within a day or so after reviewing your project information.

What factors are used to determine which projects may get centrally funded by the MPHA program?

- 1) The MPHA projects are mainly prioritized using the Risk Assessment Code (RAC); number of persons potentially exposed to the hazard and proposed cost, which are the major factors of the Cost Effective Index (CEI).
- 2) Additional factors, from the Echelon II Safety Claimant endorsement are also taken into consideration when prioritizing projects for funding. Total MPHA funding per FY is also a factor.

If my project does not get funded this year will it get funded next year or after that?

- 1) Projects not selected will continue to compete for centralized funding in the following years. It is expected that the activities project funding requests through the sponsoring syscoms will continue also.
- 2) If a project is not strong enough for selection after two FY cycles, it is not very likely to be selected later without additional justification or other information increasing the priority of the project.

What are the definitions of the HA Status Codes?

Code	Description
Held for Study and Evaluation	Project does not currently meet program criteria or priorities, but is being held for study and possible future consideration.
Undetermined	New project submitted to the database which has not been reviewed by the MPHA PM
Preliminary Planning	Project has been reviewed by the MPHA PM and is consideration for funding
Funding Approved	Funding approved for current/future fiscal year execution
Design in Progress	Undergoing design process for completion, as managed by the requesting activity
Work In Progress	Project/product delivery that has been initiated and is ongoing.
Completed	Project/product delivered to customer. Final project/product has been inspected or tested and accepted by customer.
Canceled	Project was completed by activity, requirement no longer exist, activity/region cancelled project. MPHA PM can cancel as needed for funding requirements changes.
Denied	Project was reviewed by the MPHA PM and was rejected for not meeting program criteria.

Are traffic safety studies funded by the MPHA program?

- 1) Not normally as traffic safety is not a violation covered under OSHA and therefore falls outside the mandate of the MPHA program.

If a project is not accepted MPHA program central funding, what happens to the requirement?

- 1) The activity or command has the ultimate responsibility for hazard correction. Project deficiencies not meeting the criteria for MPHA program funding must still be mitigated/abated by the command, which should pursue other means for correction.

How do I know if a project has been funded?

- 1) If the project has been funded, the status in the ESAMS HAP module will reflect the status. Please contact the MPHA team if you need additional information.

How do I find the status of a funded MPHA project?

- 1) First check the status and comments for the project in the ESAMS HAP module. If you need more information, contact the MPHA team.

Will the command need to have an engineering estimate completed as a part of submitting a project for an MPHA project?

- 1) When submitting an MPHA funding request in the ESAMS HAP module, a project total cost estimate is required (ROM, IGE or similar). During MPHA PM review of the submitted project, the MPHA PM may determine that a formal engineering estimate is needed and will convey that need to the activity POC's. The requirement may be invoked for a number of reasons which may include;
 - a. Projects nearing the upper financial limit of \$1M
 - b. Portions of the project appear to be out of the MPHA abatement scope
 - c. Complexity of project (number of different disciplines needed to correct the hazard)
 - d. Best method of correction is not apparent
 - e. Certifications need to be considered during hazard correction.

If our command has similar projects which individually do not meet the minimum project funding requirements, do we have any options regarding submission to the MPHA program?

- 1) Like projects within a command or region, can be combined to meet the minimum funding requirements for submission to the MPHA program for consideration. The combined projects MUST meet all other program requirements and will complete for funding priorities established by the assessed hazard severity, exposure and cost.
- 2) This is likely to be a very complex process, being that there must be a common RAC and exposure for a single project CEI.