



Cameron Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Public Meeting

Cameron, LA

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Agenda

- Hazard Mitigation Planning Process – SDMI Staff
- Risk Assessment – SDMI Staff
- Update on Previous/Current Mitigation Projects – Cameron Parish OHSEP
- Public Outreach Activities – SDMI Staff/Cameron Parish OHSEP



Hazard Mitigation

- Protect public safety and prevent loss of life and injury;
- Help accomplish community objectives, such as leveraging capital improvements, infrastructure protection, open space preservation, and economic resiliency;
- Prevent damage to a community's economic, cultural and environmental assets;
- Minimize operational downtime and accelerate recovery of government and the private sector after an event

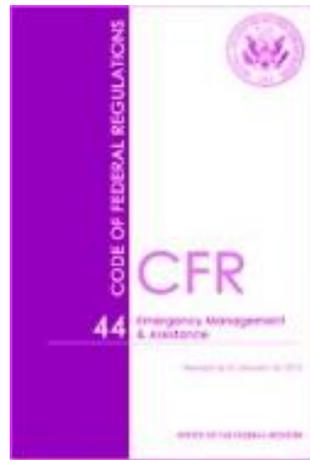


Why are we required to have a Hazard Mitigation Plan?

- Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000)

Section 322 of the Act specifically addresses mitigation planning and requires state and local governments to prepare multi-hazard migration plans as a precondition for receiving FEMA mitigation project grants.

- Meet federal requirements of Title 44 Code of Regulations (CFR) §201.6 for approval and eligibility to apply for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance grant programs.



- The approved Cameron Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan will allow for distribution of HM funding following future disasters.

The Planning Team: A parishwide approach

- The Cameron Parish has the following representatives as part of the Hazard Mitigation Steering Committee:
 - Cameron Parish OHSEP
 - Cameron Parish Fire District #1, #7, #9, #10
 - Cameron Parish Police Jury
 - Cameron Parish Sheriffs Office



Collaborative Planning Approach



Planning
Team

Community
Stakeholders

General Public

Planning Development



New Plan Layout

- Section 1: Introduction
 - Updated demographics
 - Economics
 - Update parish/jurisdiction descriptions
- Section 2: Hazard Identification and Parishwide Risk Assessment
- Section 3: Capability Assessment
- Section 4: Mitigation Strategies
 - New actions
 - Action updates
 - Survey results



New Plan Layout

- Appendix A: Planning Process
- Appendix B: Plan Maintenance
- Appendix C: Parish Essential Facilities
- Appendix D: Plan Adoption
- Appendix E: State Required Worksheets



Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment

- Based on currently profiled risks
- Any newly identified risks
- Prevalent Hazards
- Previous occurrences
- Probability of future events
- Assets Inventory
- Essential Facilities
- Hazard Impact
- Future Development
- Future Hazard Impacts
- Zoning and Land Use
- Hazard Profiles



Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment

- Floods
- Hurricanes, Tropical Storms, and Coastal Storms
- Tornadoes
- Droughts
- Wildfires
- Hailstorms
- Thunderstorms and High Winds
- Land Subsidence and Coastal Erosion



INSERT RISK ASSESSMENT SLIDES

Mitigation Strategy – Parish Goals

- Reduce the loss of life or property
- Protect critical public facilities and thoroughfares
- Ensure post-disaster operability of strategic facilities and thoroughfares
- Develop incentive and community outreach/education programs that assist homeowners in protecting residential properties
- Provide a long term mitigation solution in locations which experience repetitive hazard damage
- Provide a cooperative, inter-jurisdictional / inter-agency solution to a problem
- Show development and implementation of comprehensive programs, standards, and regulations that reduce future hazard damage
- Avoid inappropriate future development in areas that are vulnerable to hazard damage
- Reduce the level of hazard vulnerability in existing structures and developed property
- Restore or protect natural resources, recreational areas, open space, or other environmental values



2009-2014 Parish HM Project Status

- Director's Comments



Public Outreach Activities

- Parish Representatives/Project Specialists
- Risk Analysis Activity (Hazard Occurrences)
- Problem Area Identification (Parish Maps)
- Survey



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