



2023 Jefferson Davis Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Executive Overview

December 8, 2022



The Hazard Mitigation Plan: What is in it for us?

Hazard Mitigation Is.....

- Any action taken to reduce long term risk to life and property;
- On-going process that occurs before, during, and after disasters;
- Mitigation actions help prevent damage to a community's infrastructure, economic, cultural and environmental assets;
- Minimize operational downtime and accelerate recovery of government and the private sector after an event;
- ***Implementation of mitigation actions leads to building stronger, safer and smarter!***

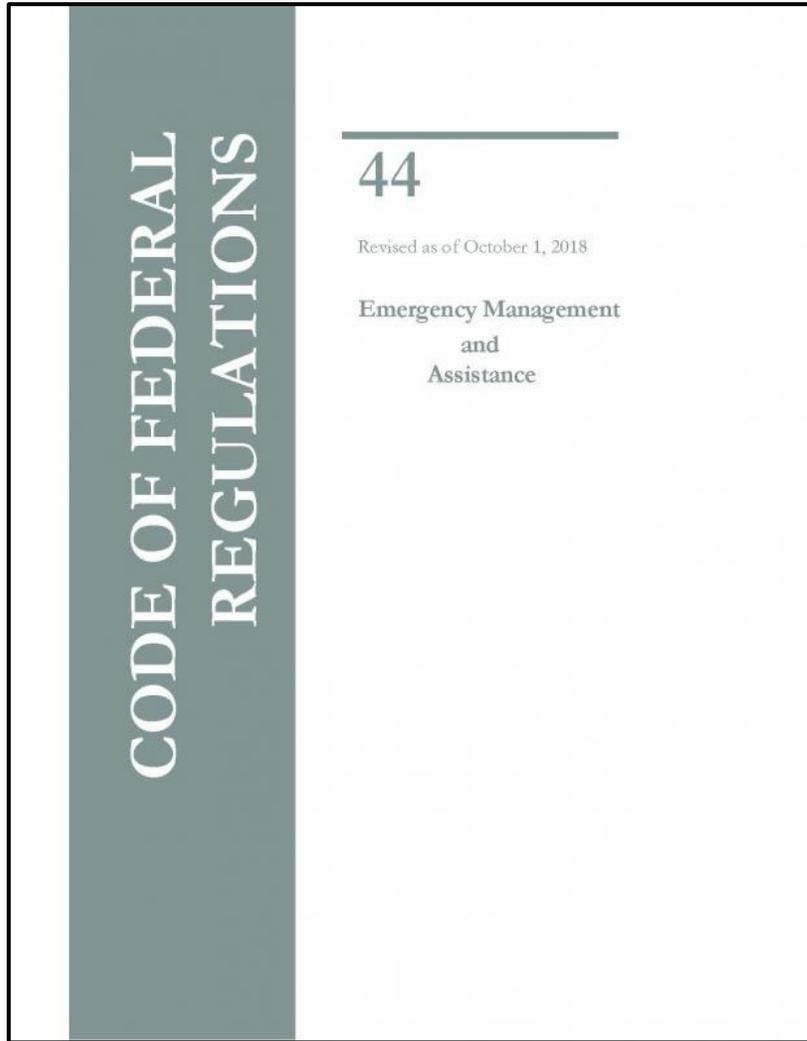
Why Do We Have A Hazard Mitigation Plan?

- To meet federal requirements.
- Planning efforts help our communities become more sustainable and disaster-resistant by focusing efforts on the hazards, disaster-prone areas and identifying appropriate mitigation actions for future projects.
- Must have a plan as a condition for receiving certain types of non-emergency disaster assistance.
- **No Plan = No Mitigation Money = No Project funding.**

Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Requirements

- The plan must be updated every five (5) years;
- Must have representation from each incorporated jurisdiction in the parish.
- Approved plan must be on file with FEMA to receive any federal hazard mitigation funds in the future.
- Approved plan must be on file with FEMA to utilize already allocated federal hazard mitigation funds on current projects.
- Must follow the FEMA update process (facilitated by GOHSEP and LSU).

Federal Requirements

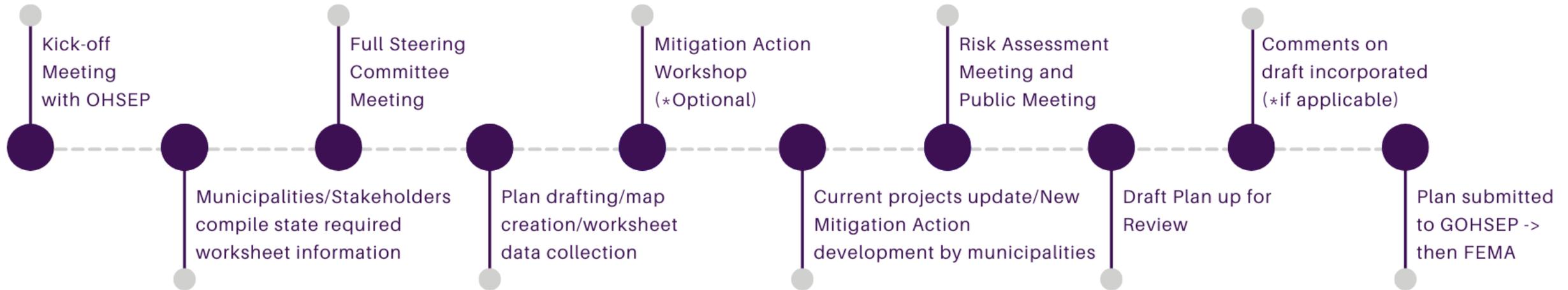


- Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000)
 - Section 322 of the Act specifically addresses mitigation planning and requires state and local governments to prepare multi-hazard migration plans as a precondition for receiving FEMA mitigation project grants.
- Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §201.6 for FEMA approval and eligibility to apply for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance

The Planning Team: A Multi-jurisdictional Approach

- Each jurisdiction will have at least one representative on the planning team.
 - This representative will need to gather data requested by the planning team, collect feedback and input into the plan.
- Each jurisdiction is responsible for gathering **NFIP, Capability Assessment, Critical Facilities and Vulnerable Population data** for the plan.
- Each jurisdiction is responsible for **updating mitigation actions** and **proposing new actions** for the update.

Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Sample Timeline



Plan Adoption

- Each jurisdiction **MUST** adopt the final plan once it has been approved by FEMA
- As a planning team member, be aware of the policies for your jurisdiction
 - Know the process for putting this plan on the docket for adoption

Plan Adoption

- Parish council and municipal council resolutions must be adopted, signed, and placed into the final planning document.

It was moved by Mr. Guillory and seconded by Mr. Adams, to adopt the following to wit:

RESOLUTION
ADOPTING THE 2016 PARISH-WIDE HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within Jefferson Davis Parish and;

WHEREAS, the Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury has prepared a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as the 2016 Parish-Wide Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000;

WHEREAS, the 2016 Parish-Wide Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in Jefferson Davis Parish from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS, adoption by the Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury demonstrates their commitment to the hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the 2016 Parish-Wide Hazard Mitigation Plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Jefferson Davis Parish Police jury in a duly convened regular session on the 22nd day of February, 2017, hereby adopts the 2016 Parish Wide Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Upon being place to a vote, the above resolution was adopted as follows:

YEAS: 11
NAYS: 0
ABSENT 2

Thus done and signed this 22nd day of February, 2017 in Jennings Louisiana.


Donald Woods, President

ATTEST:


Renee H. Hicks, Asst Sec/Treas

The Final Product

- FEMA approved Hazard Mitigation Plan
 - Meets requirements of Title 44 Code of Regulations (CFR) §201.6 for approval and eligibility to apply for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance grant programs.
 - A hazard mitigation project strategy for each jurisdiction
 - A comprehensive list of jurisdiction owned properties
 - Assessment of natural disaster-related risks and vulnerabilities

Next Steps

- Planning Committee Selection
 - At least one representative from each jurisdiction
- Neighboring Community Selection
 - FEMA requirement
 - Cameron and Allen Parishes were named in previous plan
- Initial Planning Committee Meeting Date
- Parish/OHSEP Logo

