



SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Planning for Our Region's Future

Bethany Branford East Haven Guilford Hamden Madison Meriden Milford
New Haven North Branford North Haven Orange Wallingford West Haven Woodbridge

Carl J. Amento, Executive Director

South Central Regional Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

SCRCOG is updating the South Central Region: Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). It incorporates the previous Regional HMP with the addition of East Haven, Guilford, Milford and New Haven. Jamie Caplan Consulting LLC with support from Milone & MacBroom and Punchard Consulting will lead the planning effort on behalf of SCRCOG.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Requirements Met

The purpose of the South Central Region Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan Update is to provide the Region with a comprehensive examination of all natural hazards affecting the area and to provide a framework for informed decision-making regarding the selection of cost-effective mitigation actions. These mitigation actions, when implemented, will reduce the Region's risk and vulnerability from natural hazards. The hazard mitigation plan is a prerequisite for the municipalities to apply for state and federal mitigation grant funding.

*"Reduce or eliminate risk to people and
property from natural hazards."*

Opportunities for the Public to Participate

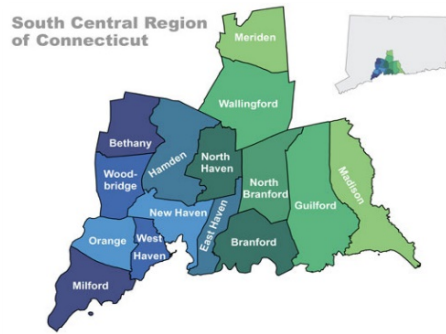
We hope you will get involved in the mitigation planning process. For more information on how you can, please visit the project webpage at <http://scrcog.org/regional-planning/regional-hazard-mitigation/>.

Advisory Committee

SCRCOG has formed an Advisory Committee to help lead the project, consisting of representatives from participating municipalities and other targeted stakeholders in the Region. The Advisory Committee will meet with SCRCOG staff and the consulting team a minimum of four times during the planning process. Participation by the Advisory Committee ensures continuous involvement by local staff and stakeholders

14 Municipalities Participating

The South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) has been awarded a grant from the Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DESSP/DEMHS) to develop a **Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan Update** for Bethany, Branford, East Haven, Guilford, Hamden, Madison, Milford, New Haven, North Branford, North Haven, Orange, Wallingford, West Haven and Woodbridge.



in the development of the Plan. The Advisory Committee meetings will allow for valuable input from the stakeholders and will keep them apprised of project progress.



Severe Winter Storms impact Connecticut

Public Opinion Survey

This survey provides an opportunity for everyone in the planning area to share his or her opinions and participate in the mitigation planning process. The information provided will help the Advisory Committee to better understand local concerns and issues as expressed by citizens of the Region, and can lead to mitigation activities that should help lessen the impacts of future disasters. Participation in this survey is voluntary and none of the information provided will be attributed to individuals directly. The survey is located on our website and will only take about 5 minutes to complete.

Municipality and Public Meetings

The consulting team and SCRCOG staff will meet with municipal representatives and other stakeholders in each of the fourteen participating municipalities to gain information and insights that are unique to each individual jurisdiction. These stakeholders may include local or regional agencies, academia or private industry. These meetings will give the planning team an opportunity to gather municipal data and to better represent the unique risks, capabilities and mitigation actions in each municipality.

Hazard Mitigation

Hazard mitigation is sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and their property from hazards.

Hazard Mitigation Plans

Hazard Mitigation Plans form the foundation for a community's long-term strategy to reduce disaster losses and break the cycle of disaster damage, reconstruction, and repeated damage.

Hazard Mitigation Planning

The planning process is as important as the plan itself. It creates a framework for risk-based decision making to reduce damages to lives, property, and the economy from future disasters.



Floods happen in Connecticut

For more information:

Eugene Livshits, Senior Regional Planner
203-466-8626
elivshits@scrcog.org

<http://scrcog.org/regional-planning/regional-hazard-mitigation/>