



SOUTH CENTRAL REGION MULTI-JURISDICTION HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Advisory Committee Meeting

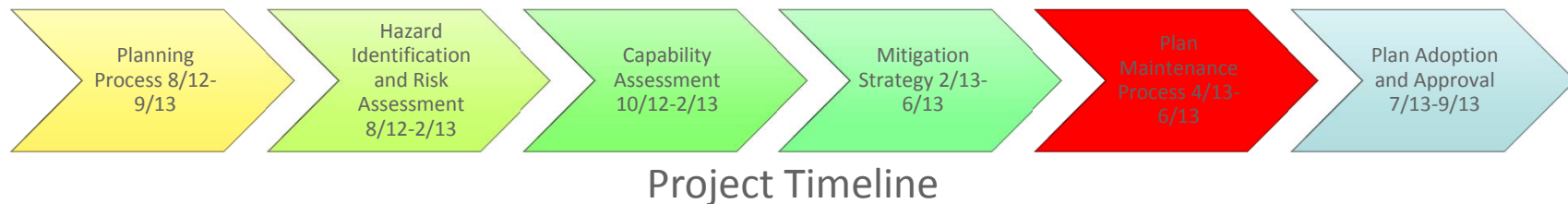
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MEETING AGENDA

- **Presentation/Discussion**
 - Emily Pysh, CT SHMO
- **Project Status Update and Discussion**
 - Risk Assessment Update
 - Recap of Public Workshops
 - Review and Discussion of Mitigation Strategy
- **Plan Maintenance and Implementation**
- **Next Steps**



GUEST SPEAKER: EMILY PYSH, CT SHMO

PROJECT STATUS UPDATE AND DISCUSSION

RISK ASSESSMENT UPDATE

- Updated final draft version of ***Risk Analysis*** section based on comments received
 - Updated counts and descriptions of “Other” community assets (includes education, government, and religious buildings)
 - Updated all tables to includes proper subtotal figures
 - Updated Methodology section for riverine and coastal flood hazard loss estimates (Hazus-MH)
- Updating exposure analysis for **Dam Failure** using inundation mapping provided by CT DEEP

4 PUBLIC WORKSHOPS

- Majority of participants from coastal communities
- Wealthier communities want coastal hardening – tax base!
- Networking
 - Connecticut Light and Power Participating
 - Citizen Groups Participating
- Ground-Truthing
 - “Do you have my neighborhood on the map?”
- Communication gap between citizens and local government
 - Mitigation Actions to improve communication

REVIEW AND DISCUSS MITIGATION STRATEGY

2013 Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan Mission

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

MITIGATION PLAN GOALS

Goal Categories	Mitigation Plan Goals
Community Planning	1. Reduce the impact of natural hazards by integrating natural hazard mitigation policies and practices into local community planning.
Flood Hazards	2. Minimize flood hazards in the region by maintaining continued compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program, adopting higher regulatory standards for new floodplain development, and implementing flood mitigation projects for existing flood prone structures.
Trees	3. Limit the impact of fallen trees due to natural hazards by collaborating with electric utility companies and property owners (private and public) to cut limbs and remove hazardous trees that pose threats to buildings, infrastructure and utility lifelines.
Regional Collaboration	4. Build capacity for natural hazard mitigation and climate adaptation at the local level through regional collaboration.
Public Awareness and Preparedness	5. Increase public awareness and preparedness for natural hazards by implementing community-based public education programs across the region.

PROBLEM STATEMENTS

- Designed to provide linkage between ***Risk Assessment*** and ***Mitigation Strategy***
- Derived from Municipality Meetings, Advisory Committee Meetings, Public Meetings, and GIS analysis
- Statements were developed to address:
 - Primary hazards of concern
 - Geographic areas of concern
 - Vulnerable community assets
- Potential solutions / mitigation actions may also be captured

MITIGATION ACTION REVIEW

- **Regional Mitigation Actions**
 - SCRCOG Actions are regional in focus
 - Any other specific actions that are multi-jurisdictional in focus?
- **Look at your municipality's actions**
 - How can they be expanded?
 - Are there additional actions to include?
 - Branford and Madison: how should we include content from homeowner associations?

PLAN MAINTENANCE AND IMPLEMENTATION

WHAT'S INVOLVED WITH IMPLEMENTATION?

- **Monitoring**
 - Tracking the implementation of the plan over time.
- **Evaluating**
 - Assessing the effectiveness of the plan in achieving its stated purpose and goals.
- **Updating**
 - Reviewing and revising the plan at least once every 5 years.
- **Continue Public Involvement**
 - FEMA requires discussion on how public will participate in implementation and be involved in maintenance.

DISCUSSION AND NEXT STEPS

SCHEDULE FOR COMPLETION

- July 1st – SCRCOG Reviews Draft Chapters
- July 15th – SCRCOG gives feedback to JCC
- August 1st – 15th – Advisory Committee and Public Reviews draft plan
 - It will be posted on SCRCOG Website
 - Space will be provided for feedback
- August 19th – 31st – JCC Finalizes the Plan
- September 3rd – SCRCOG sends Draft Plan to CT DEEP for Review
- After CT DEEP approves plan it goes to FEMA R1 for review
- After FEMA R1 approves plan it goes to municipalities for adoption

HOMWORK AND NEXT MEETING

- Review draft chapters and provide feedback
- Next Advisory Committee Meeting
 - September 11, 2013
 - 1:00 pm SCRCOG Offices



THANK YOU

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