

**JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

AGENDA REQUEST

TO: Board of County Commissioners
Philip Morley, County Administrator

FROM: Bob Hamlin, Department of Emergency Management

DATE: July 28, 2010

SUBJECT: NATURAL HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN

STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

Adoption of the Jefferson County – City of Port Townsend Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (2009 revision).

ANALYSIS/STRATEGIC GOALS/PRO'S and CON'S:

The Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan is a collaborative process between the City of Port Townsend and Jefferson County. It contains an analysis of hazards, assessment of risks and vulnerabilities, and description of the manner in which mitigation is planned and carried out.

It identifies goals, objectives and recommended actions to reduce or prevent injury and damage caused by natural hazard events. The plan assembles a number of existing hazard reduction methodologies into a single overall strategy as a requirement of the Hazard Mitigation Act of 2000.

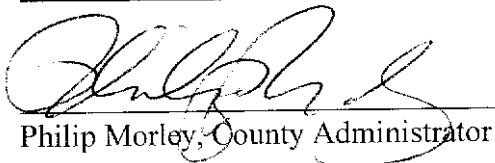
FEMA requires each jurisdiction wishing to participate in the upgrade of an approved plan to submit a resolution of intent and to identify the responsibility for coordination of the planning process.

FISCAL IMPACT/COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS :

Without this plan the participating local entities would not be eligible for a variety of disaster recovery programs and grants. Most strategies identified in the existing plan are already in effect. Recommendations made in the plan are contingent upon the availability of resources to carry them out. The plan must be reviewed annually, and updated every five years.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Resolution of Adoption – Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan - 2009 Revision

REVIEWED BY:


Philip Morley, County Administrator

6/23/10

Date

**STATE OF WASHINGTON
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON**

In the Matter of Adoption of
the Natural Hazards
Mitigation Plan (2009 Revision)

} **RESOLUTION NO.** _____

1. WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (44CFR 201.6) (the Act) required the development of a Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan as a prerequisite for pre-disaster and post-disaster Hazard Mitigation Grants, including Natural Hazards Mitigation Planning Grants, and
2. WHEREAS, in 2004 the Jefferson County Department of Emergency Management, on behalf of Jefferson County and the City of Port Townsend, coordinated development of a joint jurisdiction Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan, and submitted the adopted plan to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for approval according to the Act, and
3. WHEREAS, FEMA determined that the submitted 2004 Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan met or exceeded the criterion of the Act, and
4. WHEREAS, the Act requires review and revision of the plan every five (5) years, and
5. WHEREAS, FEMA requires a resolution of adoption as a part of the planning review and revision process, and
6. WHEREAS, the required revision was submitted to FEMA for review and it was determined by FEMA that the Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (2009 Revision) meets or exceeds the criterion of the Act,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Jefferson County – City of Port Townsend Hazard Mitigation Plan (Revised 2009) is hereby adopted as the official natural hazards mitigation plan.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2010

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SEAL:

David Sullivan, Chair

ATTEST:

Phil Johnson, Member

Erin Lundgren
Deputy Clerk of the Board

John Austin, Member



FEMA

June 6, 2010

Honorable David Sullivan
Chair, Board of County Commissioners
Jefferson County
P.O. Box 1220
1820 Jefferson Street
Port Townsend, Washington 98368

Dear Chair Sullivan:

On June 6, 2010, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approved the *Jefferson County and Port Townsend Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan* as a multi-jurisdictional local plan as outlined in 44 CFR Part 201. With approval of this plan, the following entities are now eligible to apply for the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act's hazard mitigation project grants through June 6, 2015:

City of Port Townsend

Jefferson County Fire District 1

Jefferson County Fire District 3

Jefferson County Fire District 4

The plan's approval provides the above jurisdictions eligibility to apply for hazard mitigation projects through your State. All requests for funding will be evaluated individually according to the specific eligibility and other requirements of the particular program under which the application is submitted. For example, a specific mitigation activity or project identified in the plan may not meet the eligibility requirements for FEMA funding, and even eligible mitigation activities are not automatically approved for FEMA funding under any of the aforementioned programs.

If you have questions regarding your plan's approval or FEMA's mitigation grant programs, please contact our State counterpart, Washington Emergency Management Division, which coordinates and administers these efforts for local entities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Carey".

Mark Carey, Director
Mitigation Division

cc: Beverly O'Dea, Washington Emergency Management Division

Enclosure

BH:bb

LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN REVIEW CROSSWALK

FEMA REGION X

Jurisdiction: Jefferson County Washington & the City of Port Townsend

LOCAL MITIGATION PLAN REVIEW SUMMARY

The plan cannot be approved if the plan has not been formally adopted. Each requirement includes separate elements. All elements of the requirement must be rated "Satisfactory" in order for the requirement to be fulfilled and receive a score of "Satisfactory." Elements of each requirement are listed on the following pages of the Plan Review Crosswalk. A "Needs Improvement" score on elements shaded in gray (recommended but not required) will not preclude the plan from passing. Reviewer's comments must be provided for requirements receiving a "Needs Improvement" score.

SCORING SYSTEM

Please check one of the following for each requirement.

N - Needs Improvement: The plan does not meet the minimum for the requirement. Reviewer's comments must be provided.

S - Satisfactory: The plan meets the minimum for the requirement. Reviewer's comments are encouraged, but not required.

Prerequisite(s) (Check Applicable Box)	NOT MET	MET
1. Adoption by the Local Governing Body: §201.6(c)(5) OR		N/A
2. Multi-Jurisdictional Plan Adoption: §201.6(c)(6) AND		X
3. Multi-Jurisdictional Planning Participation: §201.6(e)(3)		X
Planning Process	N	S
4. Documentation of the Planning Process: §201.6(b) and §201.6(c)(1)		X
Risk Assessment	N	S
5. Identifying Hazards: §201.6(c)(2)(i)		X
6. Profiling Hazards: §201.6(c)(2)(i)		X
7. Assessing Vulnerability: Overview: §201.6(c)(2)(i)		X
8. Assessing Vulnerability: Addressing Repetitive Loss Properties: §201.6(c)(2)(i)		X
9. Assessing Vulnerability: Identifying Structures, Infrastructure, and Critical Facilities: §201.6(c)(2)(ii)(B)		N/A
10. Assessing Vulnerability: Estimating Potential Losses: §201.6(c)(2)(ii)(B)		X
11. Assessing Vulnerability: Analyzing Development Trends: §201.6(c)(2)(ii)(C)		X
12. Multi-Jurisdictional Risk Assessment: §201.6(c)(2)(iii)		X

*States that have additional requirements can add them in the appropriate sections of the *Local Multi-Hazard Mitigation Planning Guidance* or create a new section and modify this Plan Review Crosswalk to record the score for those requirements.

Mitigation Strategy	N	S
13. Local Hazard Mitigation Goals: §201.6(c)(3)(i)		X
14. Identification and Analysis of Mitigation Actions: §201.6(c)(3)(i)		X
15. Identification and Analysis of Mitigation Actions: NFIP Compliance, §201.6(c)(3)(ii)		X
16. Implementation of Mitigation Actions: §201.6(c)(3)(iii)		X
17. Multi-Jurisdictional Mitigation Actions: §201.6(c)(3)(iv)		X
Plan Maintenance Process	N	S
18. Monitoring, Evaluating, and Updating the Plan: §201.6(c)(4)(i)		X
19. Incorporation into Existing Planning Mechanisms: §201.6(c)(4)(ii)		X
20. Continued Public Involvement: §201.6(c)(4)(iii)		X
Additional State Requirements*	N	S
Insert State Requirement		N/A
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Insert State Requirement		N/A

LOCAL MITIGATION PLAN APPROVAL STATUS

PLAN NOT APPROVED

See Reviewer's Comments

PLAN APPROVED

Copy of Plan Available at Emergency Management



Jefferson County - City of Port Townsend

Natural Disaster

Hazard Mitigation Plan

Revised 2009

Jefferson County Emergency Management

Emergency Operations Center

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