

Peninsula Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan

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Hazard Mitigation Plan

- ◆ Required by Disaster Mitigation Act 2000
- ◆ Federal requirement to remain eligible for future federal disaster relief funding


Regional Grant

- ◆ Virginia Department of Emergency Management Grant (VDEM) to Peninsula jurisdictions for mitigation planning
 - Hampton, Newport News, Williamsburg, James City County and York County
 - AMEC Earth & Environmental, Inc. selected as Contractor
 - Follow FEMA's 10-step planning model

Hazard Mitigation Plan

- ◆ Plan to identify:
 - Natural hazards
 - Vulnerability/risk assessment
 - Goals and objectives
 - Jurisdictional recommendations

Planning Process

- ◆ Input by Peninsula Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee
 - ◆ Each jurisdiction has also meet independently
 - ◆ Public meetings have been held
 - ◆ Plan has been available on the internet for public comment
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Planning Process

- ◆ Plan has been submitted to Virginia Department of Emergency Management for review (VDEM)
- ◆ VDEM submitted to FEMA to review plan process for federal compliance (March 2006)
 - FEMA conditional approval as of June 2006
- ◆ Each locality will adopt the plan in general and jurisdictional specific portion


Essential Elements of the Plan

- ◆ Regional Plan – **NATURAL HAZARDS**
 - Includes the hazards and analysis of risk common to all Peninsula jurisdictions
 - Includes additional hazards and analysis of risk specific to Hampton
 - Provides Hampton specific recommendations
 - Adoption of the Plan acknowledges the regional planning approach, but Hampton City Council approval is for the Hampton specific findings

Multi-Jurisdictional Plan Goals

- ◆ 1. Reduce Impacts and losses from natural hazards
 - ◆ 2. Promote awareness of hazards and vulnerability among citizens, business, industry and government
 - ◆ 3. Maximize use of available funding
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Hampton Recommendations

- ◆ 1. Enroll Hampton in the Community Rating System. Prepare outreach materials.
 - ◆ 2. Prepare a Repetitive Loss Plan
 - ◆ 3. Elevate flood prone homes
 - ◆ 4. Relocation of Hampton City Schools Maintenance Facility out of repetitive flood area
 - ◆ 5. Develop storm-resistant beach along Hampton waterfront from Grandview to Fort Monroe. Integrate beach profile with existing hard structures
 - ◆ 6. Public Notification/Warning System
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Hampton Recommendations

- ◆ 7. Wiring of critical facilities for generator quick hookup
- ◆ 8. Re-Evaluate existing regulations/programs with regard to floodplain management. Consider adopting two foot freeboard requirement above base flood elevation (BFE for A Zones and V Zones BFE+2)
- ◆ 9. Provide training and education materials to schools on local hazards and mitigation
- ◆ 10. Preserve open space through floodplain park development
- ◆ 11. Implement Drainage Improvement Projects to protect against blockage.

Current Status

- ◆ Reviewed and recommended for approval by the Hampton Planning Commission on August 14, 2006
- ◆ Request that City Council amend the Hampton Community Plan and incorporate the Hazard Mitigation Plan by reference into the Hampton Community Plan

Questions

Final plan is available on the internet at:

www.hampton.gov/eoc/

Then click on Regional Hazardous Mitigation Plan

Or on the city intranet site at:

<http://eoc.hampton/>

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