



# SOUTHEASTERN NC

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## REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN 2025 UPDATE



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### Background

The Southeastern NC Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan aims to assess, reduce, and prepare for the impact of natural and man-made hazards in the region. The 2025 Plan Update involves the identification of vulnerabilities and prioritization of mitigation strategies to better prepare for, respond to, and recover from a hazardous event. Through collaboration and coordination, the Plan Update seeks to engage stakeholders, raise awareness, and facilitate measures to mitigate risk and build a safer, more resilient region for current and future generations.

### What is Mitigation?

FEMA defines Hazard Mitigation as:

**“Sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to human life and property from hazards.”**



# 1

### EXISTING

Mitigate hazard impacts on existing development in our communities (i.e. houses, businesses, infrastructure, critical facilities)

# 2

### FUTURE

Ensure future development is conducted in a manner that does not increase vulnerability (i.e. strategic planning, policy, and procedures)

### Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000

The Disaster Mitigation Act (DMA) of 2000 represents a major shift from reactive response to proactive prevention requiring local communities to develop/maintain hazard mitigation plans.

- Revitalized Federal Planning Requirements
  - State and Local Hazard Mitigation Plans
- Federal Grant Funding Eligibility
  - Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
  - Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)

\*\*Plans should be updated every 5 years to remain current.



### Mitigation Techniques

1. Prevention – Planning and Zoning, Building Codes, Floodplain Regulations
2. Property Protection – Acquisition, Relocation, Elevation
3. Natural Resource Management – Floodplain Protection, Watershed Management, Riparian Buffers
4. Structural Projects – Reservoirs, Levees/Dams, Channel Modification
5. Emergency Services – Warning Systems, Evacuation Planning, Shelters
6. Public Education and Awareness – Outreach Projects, Real Estate Disclosures, Hazard Map Information