

SOUTHEASTERN NC

REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN 2025 UPDATE



QR CODE TO
PUBLIC SURVEY

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)

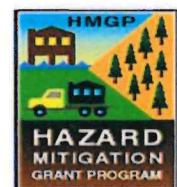
2 *FUTURE*
Ensure future development is conducted in a manner that does not increase vulnerability (i.e. strategic planning, policy, and procedures)

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