



HMP Stakeholder Meeting
March 31, 2021
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Agenda:

- Capability Assessment Review
- Mitigation Action Items Workshop
- Draft Hazard Chapters Distribution Process
- Next Steps

HMP Stakeholders in Attendance:

Ashley Morris	Fire Department - Emergency Management
Brady Locher	Department of Environmental Protection and Sustainability
Bill Skibinski	Planning
Caitlin Merritt	Planning (Landmarks Preservation)
David Bycoffe	Fire Department - Emergency Management
Doug Adams	Department of Public Works
Irene Debye	Fire Department
Kathy Suter	Fire Department/Emergency Management
Kritty Udhin	Department of Environmental Protection and Sustainability
Paul Lurz	Fire Department - Emergency Management
Richard Muth	Baltimore County Public Schools
Terry Curtis	Department of Public Works (Floodplain Manager)
Thomas Ramey	Fire Department

Baltimore County HMP Project Timeline - 2021									
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June
Project Milestones									
Organize Resources & Planning Team									
Planning Committee Meeting #1		*							
2015 Mitigation Strategies Update Process									
HIRA 2020-2021 Update									
Mitigation Strategies Report									
Public Outreach (Website, Survey, Social Media)									
Planning Committee Meeting #2					*				
Hazard Vulnerability Assessment									
Capability Assessment & Gaps									
Planning Committee Meeting #3						*			
2021 Mitigation Actions & Projects									
DRAFT PLAN									
Local & Public Review & Comments									
State & FEMA Review & Comments									
Adoption by Baltimore County									

Capability Assessment Review

- The meeting provided an overview of the Capability Assessment results as well as the feedback that has been provided thus far. Stakeholders were informed that they may still provide feedback for the capability assessment by utilizing the fillable PDF that was sent to them.

- Updates to the capability assessment have been made based upon stakeholder feedback and updates will continue to occur as more feedback is received.
- It was highlighted that Baltimore County’s current capabilities are robust and they have many existing planning documents, regulations, policies, tools, and staff/departments that provide important hazard mitigation capabilities.

Mitigation Action Item Workshop

- The stakeholders focused on discussing mitigation action items and determining which items should be included in the 2021 Plan Update. Stakeholders were asked if each action item should be included (Y/N?), the responsible entity, and any relevant comments.

MITIGATION ACTION ITEMS – NEW & EXISTING			
Action Item	Include (Y/N)?	Responsible Entity	Comment(s)
FLOOD HAZARD			
*1. Conduct site visits for flood prone historic resources to verify several facts regarding them, including: if and where they currently exist in space. Targeted site visits for a small group of sites could be conducted for particularly important resources, or for resources that have a lot of unknowns.			
*2. Request new FEMA Risk Map Product be produced for coastal/riverine using new DFIRM. Previous risk map product was completed in 2014 for coastal only.			
*3. Draft and/or update FEMA elevation certificates for County buildings located in the SFHA (CAP project).			
*4. Target blighted and/or vacant properties within the flood plain for potential acquisition. Consider adjacent flood prone properties for acquisition and potential open space-parks and recreation and/or restoration opportunities.			

- Input was gathered for all action items, including comments, inclusion (y/n), and the responsible entity for some.
- Draft hazard chapters will be sent to stakeholders regularly for review and comment.
 - Because we are on a tight timeline for completion, we wanted to provide small portions of the plan to review, rather than providing a draft of the entire plan to be reviewed at once.
 - Roughly 2-3 draft chapters will be sent at regular intervals.
 - The first chapters sent to stakeholders for review will be: *Chapter 14: Pandemic and Emerging Infectious Diseases, Chapter 15: Technological and Man-Made hazards, and Chapter 8: High Winds*

Public Outreach

- SP&D is collecting pictures for the plan update.
 - Pictures should be specific to Baltimore County, depict a hazard included in the HMP, relatively recent, and high quality.

- Please submit all pictures to emessick@smithp-d.com
- Public Outreach by stakeholders is an important aspect for the planning process as well as plan approval.
 - Please share about the plan update on social media (if approved), link to the plan update website, etc. Please provide us with the date and a short description of the outreach activity.

Next Steps

- **Mitigation Action Items Prioritization**
 - The next step in the action item process is prioritizing them in order of importance (low to high)
 - To do this, stakeholders decided they would prefer to utilize a “prioritization tool” rather than having a dedicated meeting.
 - The possibility was discussed that stakeholders may need to meet later to discuss any prioritization disagreements that might occur.
- **Draft Chapters for Review**
 - Chapters will be sent out to stakeholders on a regular basis for review.
- **Complete Draft Plan** for review by late May 2021
- **NEXT MEETING DATE**
 - The next meeting date is TBD and is dependent upon if there is a need for one to further discuss mitigation action item prioritization.