

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors DATE: February 16, 2021

FROM: Todd Leopold, County Executive Officer
By: Holly Powers, Assistant Director of Emergency Services

SUBJECT: Establishment of Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee and Subcommittee

ACTION REQUESTED

Adopt a Resolution establishing the Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (HMPC) and Hazard Mitigation Planning Subcommittee (HMP Subcommittee) for the update of the Placer County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP).

BACKGROUND

The County is required to do hazard mitigation planning pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) and for eligibility for certain Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mitigation funding programs.

Placer County also participates in the National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) Program. The CRS program outlines a series of activities focused on reducing the impacts of flood hazards in the County. Successful completion of these activities can result in decreased flood insurance costs to residents of the County. Placer County is currently maintaining a CRS Classification Rating of "five" (5), thereby saving residents within the FEMA Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) twenty-five percent (25%) on the cost of flood insurance and those outside the SFHA a total of ten percent (10%). The CRS Program requires the County to adopt a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) with a Floodplain Management Plan component focused on reducing repetitive flood loss and flooded properties in the County. This requirement is met with a FEMA approved and Board adopted LHMP.

FEMA encourages combining both the LHMP and CRS planning efforts into a single, coordinated plan; therefore, staff proposes your Board establish two multi-jurisdictional planning teams. To align with FEMA and CRS terminology, the established planning teams are proposed to be the Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (HMPC) and the Hazardous Mitigation Planning Subcommittee (HMPC Subcommittee). The HMPC is required to consist of representatives of various county departments, cities, special districts, other federal, state, and local agency stakeholders, and the public. The meetings will be widely advertised and open to all who wish to attend. The HMPC will function like a working group and will not take action on any items. The HMP Subcommittee will consist three (3) representatives from the HMPC and will also include three (3) members of the public. Similarly, the HMPC Subcommittee will not be taking action on any items.

HMPC

Pursuant to the requirements of the DMA 2000 and CRS, the HMPC will be comprised of County staff members, staff members from incorporated communities within the County, representatives from special districts in the County, and members of the public. The County Executive Officer, or designee, will appoint individual County staff members to the HMPC who have knowledge of hazard

mitigation activities. Staff proposes the following criteria makeup for the representatives on the HMPC.

- A. Placer County Departments
 - a. Agricultural Commissioner
 - b. Assessor's Office
 - c. Community Development Resource Agency
 - d. Facilities Services
 - e. Fire Department
 - f. Health and Human Services
 - g. Office of Emergency Services
 - h. Public Works
 - i. Risk Management
 - j. Sheriff's Office
- B. Incorporated communities
 - a. City of Auburn
 - b. City of Colfax
 - c. City of Lincoln
 - d. City of Rocklin
 - e. Town of Loomis
- C. Other participating organizations to include special districts and others seeking FEMA approval of their respective annex in the LHMP.
- D. Other private citizens, members of the public, and stakeholders including local, regional, state, and federal agencies and partners identified by the Placer County Office of Emergency Services.

The Office of Emergency Services (OES) will also work with the incorporated communities and other participating organizations to select and appoint participants from those respective jurisdictions who have knowledge of hazard mitigation activities to be members of the Committee. The City of Roseville is not a formal participant in the County 2021 LHMP Update project as has its own LHMP and conducts the 5-year update separately.

SUBCOMMITTEE

The HMP Subcommittee will meet the requirements of CRS Activity 510 floodplain management planning by providing a greater opportunity for the public to comment on the LHMP during its development. The HMP Subcommittee will consist of the three (3) County staff representatives from the HMPC from the Community Development Resource Agency-Planning, Department Public Works, and the Office of Emergency Services. A minimum of three (3) community members will be selected for the Subcommittee by the County Executive Officer, or designee.

Collectively, the HMPC and HMP Subcommittee have the responsibility to meet and fulfill the obligations of FEMA's DMA 2000 and the CRS Program Floodplain Management planning requirements through organizing preparation of the updated LHMP, involving the public, coordinating with other agencies, assessing hazards, assessing problems, setting goals, reviewing possible activities, and assisting in the drafting of a mitigation action plan.

Once the LHMP update has been completed and reviewed by FEMA, County staff will present to the Board of Supervisors for final adoption.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The requested action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15061(b)(3) and 15378(b) since they consist of organizational and administrative activities that do not result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no impact to the County General Fund as a result of this action.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

Before the Board of Supervisors County of Placer, State of California

Resolution No.: _____

In the matter of: A resolution establishing a Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee and Hazard Mitigation Planning Subcommittee for the update of the Placer County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held on February 16, 2021, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Clerk of said Board

WHEREAS, Placer County is required to do hazard mitigation planning pursuant to the Robert T Stafford Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) and for continued eligibility for certain sources of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mitigation funding programs; and

WHEREAS, Placer County participates in The National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS); and

WHEREAS, the CRS Program also requires the County to adopt a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) with a Floodplain Management Plan component; and

WHEREAS, FEMA encourages combining the LHMP and CRS planning efforts into a single, coordinated plan; and

WHEREAS, to combine both program's efforts and meet the requirements of the LHMP and CRS Activity 510, it is necessary to establish a Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (HMPC) and Hazard Mitigation Planning Subcommittee (HMP Subcommittee); and

WHEREAS, collectively, the HMPC and HMP Subcommittee will meet to fulfill the obligations of FEMA's DMA 2000 and the CRS Program Floodplain Management planning requirements through organizing preparation of the LHMP update, involving the public, coordinating with other agencies,

assessing the hazards, assessing problems, setting goals, reviewing possible activities, and assisting in the drafting of a mitigation action plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF PLACER, that the Board takes the following actions:

1. Establish a Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (HMPC) and authorize the County Executive Officer, or designee, to appoint County staff members to the HMPC; and
2. Approve the following criteria for representation on the HMPC:

HMPC Representation

a. County Departments

- i. Agricultural Commissioner
- ii. Assessor's Office
- iii. Community Development Resource Agency
- iv. Facilities Services
- v. Fire Service
- vi. Health and Human Services
- vii. Office of Emergency Services
- viii. Public Works
- ix. Risk Management
- x. Sheriff's Office

b. Incorporated communities

- xi. City of Auburn
- xii. City of Colfax
- xiii. City of Lincoln
- xiv. City of Rocklin
- xv. Town of Loomis

c. Other participating organizations to include special districts and others seeking FEMA approval of their respective annex in the LHMP.

d. Other private citizens, members of the public, and stakeholders including local, regional, state, and federal agencies and partners identified by the Placer County Office of Emergency Services.

3. Establish a Hazard Mitigation Planning Subcommittee comprised of three (3) members of the public appointed by the County Executive Officer, or designee, and the three (3) County staff members of the HMPC from the Community Development Resource Agency, the Department of Public Works, and the Office of Emergency Services.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

