## Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan Participation

County Harper	Jurisdiction City of Anthony
	(school, city, REC, etc.)
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By completing the form and submitting, our jurisdiction understands the following requirements for updates occurring across calendar years 2023 – 2026 by region:	
<ul> <li>Participate in the next Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update for respective region,</li> <li>Attend two meetings and turn in the required paperwork, and</li> <li>Sign a resolution of adoption, adopting the plan, even if there is a change in office holders.</li> </ul>	
Authorized Representative of Jurisdiction	
(Examples of an Authorized Representative - Superintendent, General Manager, City Supervisor, Mayor)	
Name Cyndra Kastens	
Title City Clerk/Administrator	
Signature	Date 7/9/22
County Emergency Manager	
Name	
Signature	Date

If you are receiving this email your jurisdiction is listed on the Barber County Mitigation plan. The state of Kansas has advised us that due to changes in the Federal Grant Guidelines, all recipients or possible recipients of FEMA funding must sign the participation form prior to be filed by the state on or before August 1, 2022.

BRIC 2022 application process will begin in September. Therefore, all jurisdictions need to sign and return to me the attached participation form prior to July 20, 2022 so I have time to get back to the State. If the attached Notice of Participation form is not received back to the State office before August 1, 2022, the jurisdiction will not be included in the BRIC 2022 application process, which is a competitive bid to the State to write regional hazard mitigation plans (the one your jurisdiction has already adopted).

The State of Kansas has advised If jurisdictions do not commit to participate by signing the form and getting back in prior to the deadline. The jurisdiction will not be in the scope of work in the application for the funds to write the plans the updated plans.

The participation form is not a legal document. This only holds the jurisdictions to the intent to participate in meetings and eventually sign the document they work towards creating in meetings. There are no repercussions for the jurisdiction for signing the participation form then not adopting. If jurisdictions do not want to participate, they do not need to sign the participation form and therefore will not be included in the scope of work to receive planning funding.

If jurisdictions sign the participation form but do not adopt, there will potentially be repercussions for the State and cause the state to pay back funds received for planning. If this occurs, it is possible the State will no longer be able to do Regional plans. If there are no regional plans, the state will no longer be able to provide planning funding and **ALL** jurisdictions wanting to adopt a plan will need to pay 100%.

## Jurisdictions have three options –

- 1) Sign the form allowing the state to provide funding for the regional plans,
- 2) Pay a contractor to do local plan, or
- 3) Not have a plan.

Downsides of NOT having a plan:

- Absolutely no mitigation funding (It is a FEMA Requirement for a jurisdiction to adopt a mitigation plan in order to receive any mitigation funding.)
- Potential projects lost: Community, School and Residential Safe Rooms, Warning Sirens, Weather Radios, Acquisition/Demolition of flood prone properties, Limited flood control projects, Generators, Wildfire Mitigation, Soil Stabilization, Structural Retrofitting of Existing Buildings
- Note this does include the residential safe rooms program. The citizens of the jurisdiction are no longer eligible for the Residential Safe Room program if their jurisdiction has not adopted a mitigation plan (or does not participate and intend to adopt).

- State matches the 25% cost share for planning if participating and adopting regional plans. If doing local plan, the cost is 100% out of pocket for the jurisdiction.
- Concerns with schools being out for the summer. Is there any way we can broadly
  encompass schools in the scope of work simply because of the deadline (July) being so
  close to schools being back in session.
  - The State of Kansas advised they are unable to broadly include school districts. If they want to participate, and receive funding for planning or any mitigation project funding, they need to sign the participation form to be included in the scope of work. They will NOT be amending for jurisdictions which do not have their forms into us. No exceptions.

Therefore, I have attached a copy of the participation form that your jurisdiction needs to sign your convenience. Again, I need it back prior to July 20, 2022 so I can sign it and have returned to the State of Kansas prior to the August 1,2022 deadline.

If you have any questions please contact me as soon as possible.

Mike Loreg
Director Barber County Emergency Management.

