



City of Grass Valley
City Council
Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Nevada County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

CEQA: Not a project as defined by the Public Resources Code section 21065 and CEQA Guidelines sections 15060 and 15378.

Recommendation: That Council adopt Resolution 2025-01 to adopt and approve the draft Nevada County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and authorize staff to make necessary changes if required by FEMA

Prepared by: Mark Buttron, Fire Chief & Amy Wolfson, City Planner

Council Meeting Date: 2/11/2025

Date Prepared: 2/4/2025

Agenda: Consent

Background Information: The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires all jurisdictions to be covered by a Pre-Disaster Hazards Mitigation Plan in order to be eligible for Federal Emergency Management Agency pre and post disaster mitigation funds. The plan seeks to reduce risk associated with natural hazards, whether it be severe thunderstorm, flood, severe winter weather, drought, heat wave, earthquake, dam failure, or wildfire. It also recognizes the importance of enhancing the ability for jurisdictions to withstand natural hazards as well as the importance of reducing human suffering, property damage, interruption of public services and economic losses caused by those hazards.

The City of Grass Valley fully participated in the Federal Emergency Management Agency prescribed mitigation-planning process to prepare this Multi-Jurisdictional Hazards Mitigation Plan, available to view at the following webpage: [2024 Nevada County Multijurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan - City of Grass Valley](#)

Seven local jurisdictions, including Grass Valley, participated in the planning process and will be adopting the plan. The 2024 draft plan is organized into two volumes: Volume I includes all information that applies to all of Nevada County; and Volume II includes specific information for each participating jurisdiction. Chapter 3 of Volume II outlines the goals and strategies specific to the City of Grass Valley. The City of Grass Valley identifies a total of 9 mitigation actions, summarized in Table 3-19 of the plan, attached, that have the potential to reduce the effects of hazards of concern, such as wildfire and floods. The actions are dependent on available funding and may be modified or omitted based on identification of new hazards or new city priorities.

The draft plan has been completed and tentatively approved by the California Office of Emergency Services and is currently under review by the Federal Emergency Management Agency Region IX.

Council Goals/Objectives: Adoption of this Hazard Mitigation Plan supports 2022 Strategic Plan Update Goal # 6: the City of Grass Valley is devoted to providing a safe place to live, work and play.

Fiscal Impact: None

Funds Available: N/A

Account #: N/A

Reviewed by: City Manager

Attachments:

- HMP Table 3-19, Summary of Prioritization of Actions
- Resolution 2025-01 to adopt and approve the draft Nevada County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan