

MEMORANDUM



TO: ERICK W. ZINSER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY/CHIEF OF POLICE

FROM: JOHN B. MARTIN, FIRE CHIEF 

SUBJECT: OAKLAND COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

DATE: ADOPTION APRIL 10, 2024

Oakland County Emergency Management and Homeland Security in conjunction with the participating cities, villages and townships completed the 5-year update to the County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). The HMP was originally prepared in 2005 and adopted by the City of Novi by way Council Resolution on July 10, 2006, June 3, 2013, and again on September 24, 2018.

The HMP was created with the goal of sustainably and permanently reducing the county's vulnerability to hazards through sound public policy. By increasing public awareness of potential harm, documenting resources for risk reduction and loss prevention, and indemnifying activities to guide the development of less vulnerable and more sustainable communities, this plan aims to protect citizens, critical facilities, infrastructure, private property, and the natural environment.

This plan exists to identify natural and manmade hazard threats to the community, prepare mitigation management strategies to address those threats, develop short-term and long-term goals and objectives for mitigation planning, and to fulfill federal, state, and local hazard mitigation planning obligations.

The intent of this plan is to enhance awareness of and provide mitigation strategies for elected officials, agencies, and the public and develop actions that will minimize negative outcomes to Oakland County's citizens, the economy, and the environment due to potential natural and manmade hazard threats. The well-being of the county and local community's rests on reducing risks to life and property in the event of a hazard event or emergency/disaster.

Now that the HMP has been adopted by Oakland County, each city, village, and township residing within Oakland County is required to adopt it within one year. The adoption of this plan ensures Oakland County, Michigan and the participating municipalities qualify for federal funding, before and after a disaster occurs.

c: Scott Baetens, Assistant Chief of Police
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