



MEETING NOTES

Meeting	Dauphin County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Plan Draft Review Meeting		
Date	June 2, 2021	Time	6:00 – 6:50 p.m.
Location	Microsoft Teams Webinar		
Attendees	Chris Fisher, Manager – Office of Emergency Management, Hazardous Materials Response Team Chief, Local Emergency Planning Committee Chairman; Dauphin County Department of Public Safety (DPS)		
	Lexi Passaro, Planning Specialist - Office of Emergency Management, Dauphin County DPS		
	Bob Stout, Emergency Management Specialist - Office of Emergency Management, Dauphin County DPS; Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC), Halifax Borough and Halifax Township		
	Doug Brown, Deputy Director, Dauphin County Department of Community and Economic Development		
	Gerard Duke, Dauphin County Planning Coordinator, Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC), Dauphin County Planning Commission		
	Ronald Johnson, Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC), East Hanover Township		
	Don Shutt, EMC, Northern Dauphin County Regional Emergency Management Agency (EMA) – Elizabethville Borough, Jackson Township, Reed Township, and Wayne Township		
	Brian Enterline, Fire Chief and EMC, City of Harrisburg		
	Steve Letavic, Township Manager, Londonderry Township		
	Ralph Palm, EMC, Lower Paxton Township		
	Robert Furlong, EMC, Lower Swatara Township		
	Max Stoner, Borough Engineer, Lykens Borough		
	Tom Foreman, EMC, Middletown Borough		
	Kayla Buker, Borough Manager, Millersburg Borough		
	Todd Laudenslager, Mayor, Pillow Borough		
	Brad Reist, EMC, Susquehanna Township		
	Bill Haig, Assistant Emergency Management Agency Director, West Hanover Township; West Hanover Township Fire Company		
	Marty Nevil, Program Manager, South Central Task Force		
Jon Bogush, Director of Emergency Preparedness and Purchasing, Homeland Center and Homeland Hospice			
Kevin Craver, Emergency Management Specialist – Training, PEMA Central Area			
Tony Subbio, Project Manager, Tetra Tech			

Discussion Points

The sections below summarize each discussion point addressed during the meeting.



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Welcome

Ms. Passaro welcomed attendees. Mr. Subbio described the purpose of the meeting.

Review the Planning Process

Mr. Subbio reviewed the project timeline. He described the meetings that were conducted and the organizations that participated in the planning process.

Review the Document

Mr. Subbio gave a brief summary of each section of the updated HMP, as described below:

- Section 1: Introduction provides the background, purpose, and scope of the HMP.
- Section 2: County Profile discusses the nature of Dauphin County, its communities, and its environment. It also discusses the limitations of data used in developing the HMP.
- Section 3: Planning Process summarizes the process by which the HMP was updated. It identifies the municipalities and stakeholders that participated in the planning process.
- Section 4: Risk Assessment includes the hazard profiles and vulnerability summary.
- Section 5: Capability Assessment describes the plans, regulations, staff, and resources available to implement hazard mitigation throughout the County. Mr. Subbio described the capabilities that were analyzed.
- Section 6: Mitigation Strategy includes the goals, objectives, and mitigation actions identified in the planning process. Mr. Subbio described the process used to develop mitigation actions, including using information gathered from worksheets, surveys, planning meetings, and contact with municipal officials. The following discussions were held regarding Section 6:
 - Ms. Passaro requested that the municipal engineers be listed as the leads for actions addressing geologic hazards.
 - Ms. Passaro requested that the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (PA DCNR) be listed as the lead for actions addressing wildfire risk. Mr. Subbio explained that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has historically required county or municipal officials to be listed as the leads, but that PA DCNR can be listed as a support agency.
 - Chief Enterline asked why the former Susquehanna Township Fire Department station was shown as at risk to wildfires. Mr. Subbio replied that it falls within the wildland-urban interface, which was used as the hazard area for the risk assessment.
 - Mr. Shutt stated that most of his municipalities' municipal buildings are at risk from wildfires, and that EMCs need to speak with municipal officials about establishing safe areas around the buildings.



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- Ms. Passaro requested that actions addressing transportation accidents be more uniform in terms of the lead agency. The lead agency should be whichever level of government maintains the road (e.g., the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for roads maintained by the Commonwealth). Mr. Subbio requested a list of state roads that are not numbered (e.g., Sandbeach Road in East Hanover Township) from Ms. Passaro and Mr. Duke.
- Ms. Passaro pointed out that the Conewago Creek restoration project in Londonderry Township was not funded by FEMA, but will impact vulnerability to flooding.
- Mr. Foreman stated that Middletown Borough is installing a backup power generator at the borough office.
- Mr. Duke requested that the Dauphin County Planning Commission be listed as a supporting agency for any actions that list the TCRPC. He also reported that TCRPC is developing a new model zoning ordinance that will incorporate hazard areas.
- Section 7: Plan Maintenance describes how the HMP will be maintained over 5 years after adoption, including the annual review process.
- Section 8: Plan Adoption includes template resolutions for each participating jurisdiction to adopt the HMP.
- The appendices include documentation of the planning process. Appendix I lists the critical facilities analyzed in the risk assessment; this appendix is not available to the public for security reasons.

Next Steps

Mr. Subbio reviewed the following next steps in the HMP update process with attendees:

- Tetra Tech will put the finishing touches on the draft HMP by June 4, 2021, if DPS and TCRPC staff can provide their requested feedback quickly.
- Tetra Tech will submit the HMP to Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) for review on or about June 4, 2021.
- After PEMA completes its review, Tetra Tech will make any required changes and submit the plan to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for formal review; submission is estimated to be in mid-June 2021. Mr. Subbio stated that he expects FEMA will complete its review of the HMP in late August, and that the HMP will be approvable pending adoption in mid-September.

With no further questions, Ms. Passaro and Mr. Subbio thanked attendees for their time and participation. The meeting concluded at 6:50 p.m.



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Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP)
Update
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Agenda

- Welcome
- Review the Planning Process
- Review the Document
- Next Steps
- Questions

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Review the Planning Process

- Planning Team Kickoff Meetings
 - September 24, 2020
- Risk Assessment Update
 - September 3, 2020 – March 12, 2021
 - Risk Assessment Review Meeting: March 10, 2021
- Mitigation Strategy Update
 - September 3, 2020 – April 30, 2021
 - Mitigation Strategy Workshops: March 24, 2021
- Develop the HMP Document
 - September 3, 2020 – April 30, 2021
- Public Review Period
 - May 1 – June 1, 2021

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Review the Planning Process

Dauphin County				
Dauphin County Conservation District	Dauphin County Department of Community and Economic Development	Dauphin County Department of Public Safety	Dauphin County Human Services	Dauphin County LEPC
Dauphin County Office of Information Technology				
35 of 40 Municipalities				
South Central Task Force				
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania				
Pennsylvania Air National Guard, 193rd Special Operations Wing State Library of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection	Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA)	Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE)	PSP Lykens Station
FEMA Region III				

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Emergency Services Organizations				
Millersburg and Community Fire Company	Citizens Fire Company	Colonial Park Fire Company	Dauphin County Hazardous Materials Response Team	Dauphin Middle Paxton Fire Company
Derry Township Police	Halifax Fire Department	Harrisburg International Airport Fire Department	Hershey Fire Department	Highspire Police Department
Hummelstown Borough Police Department	Londonderry Fire Company	Lower Paxton Township Police Department	Millersburg Area Ambulance	Millersburg Police
Paxtang Fire Company	Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center Life Lion Critical Care Transport	South Central Emergency Medical Services	Steelton Fire Department	
Education				
Bishop McDevitt High School	Capital Area School for the Arts Charter School	Central Dauphin School District	Halifax Area School District	Lower Dauphin School District
Millersburg Area School District	Steelton-Highspire School District	Susquehanna Township School District	Sylvan Heights Science Charter School	Upper Dauphin Area School District
Williams Valley School District				

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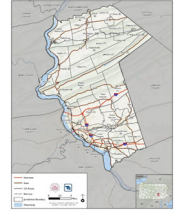
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Healthcare				
Colonial Park Care Center	Country Meadows	Homeland Center and Homeland Hospice	Hospice of Central PA	Penn State Health System
Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center	The Hospital and Healthsystem Association of Pennsylvania	UPMC Pinnacle		
Community Groups				
American Red Cross	Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg	Paxton Ministries	Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC)	
Neighboring Counties				
Cumberland County DPS	Cumberland County LEPC	Lebanon County Department of Emergency Services	York County Planning Commission	
Other Stakeholders				
Capital Region Water	Harrisburg International Airport	Hershey Entertainment and Resort Company	Pennsylvania American Water	

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Review the Document

- Section 1: Introduction
 - Background
 - Purpose
 - Scope
- Section 2: County Profile
 - Geography and Environment
 - Community Facts
 - Population and Demographics
 - Land Use and Development
 - Data Sources and Limitations



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Review the Document

- Section 3: Planning Process
 - Update Process and Participation Summary
 - The Planning Team
 - Meetings and Documentation
 - Public and Stakeholder Participation
 - Multi-Jurisdictional Planning

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- Section 4: Risk Assessment
 - Update Process Summary
 - Hazard Identification
 - Hazard Profiles
 - Hazard Vulnerability Summary

HAZARD	RISK	HALLMARK	RISK ASSESSMENT CATEGORIES					RISK PRIORITY
			PROBABILITY	IMPACT	SPATIAL	WARRANT	EVOLUTION	
HAZARD	Major Addressing	Emergency Preparedness	4	4	3	3	4	16
	Major Addressing	Emergency Preparedness	4	4	3	3	4	16
	Major Addressing	Emergency Preparedness	4	3	2	4	2	14
	Major Addressing	Emergency Preparedness	2	4	4	1	4	14
	Major Addressing	Emergency Preparedness	4	2	3	1	2	11
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	Major Addressing	Emergency Preparedness	4	2	1	4	1	12
	Major Addressing	Emergency Preparedness	4	2	1	2	2	10
	Major Addressing	Emergency Preparedness	1	1	2	4	2	11
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- Section 5: Capability Assessment
 - Comprehensive Planning
 - Emergency Management
 - Participation in the NFIP
 - Community Rating System (CRS)
 - Administrative and Technical Capability
 - Political Capability
 - Financial Capability
 - Education and Outreach
 - Self-Assessment
 - Plan Integration

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- Section 6: Mitigation Strategy
 - Update Process Summary
 - Mitigation Goals and Objectives
 - Identification and Analysis of Mitigation Techniques
 - Mitigation Action Plan

Item	Description	Priority	Responsible Agency	Start Date	End Date	Status	Cost	Impact	Notes
Comprehensive Mitigation Strategy	Develop a comprehensive mitigation strategy that includes all potential hazards and their impacts.	High	York County	Q3 2024	Q3 2025	On Track	High	High	Key project for the county.
Hazard Mitigation	Identify and prioritize mitigation measures for each hazard.	Medium	York County	Q4 2024	Q4 2025	On Track	Medium	Medium	Focus on flood and wildfire mitigation.
Emergency Preparedness	Develop and update emergency response plans.	High	York County	Q1 2025	Q1 2026	On Track	High	High	Essential for public safety.
Public Education	Conduct public education campaigns on hazard mitigation.	Medium	York County	Q2 2025	Q2 2026	On Track	Medium	Medium	Use social media and community events.

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- Section 7: Plan Maintenance Procedures
 - Monitoring, Evaluating, and Updating the Plan
 - Information Requests
 - Worksheets
 - Annual Review Meeting
 - Continued Public Involvement
- Section 8: Plan Adoption



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- Appendices
 - Authorities and References
 - Local Plan Review Crosswalk
 - Meeting Documentation
 - Municipal Participation Documentation
 - Public and Stakeholder Participation
 - Adoption Resolutions
 - Blank Mitigation Action Worksheet
 - Completed Mitigation Action Worksheets
 - Critical Facilities (not publicly available)



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Next Steps

- Finishing touches
 - June 3-4, 2021
- Submission to PEMA
 - June 4, 2021
- Submission to FEMA Region III
 - On or about June 30, 2021



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Questions?

Thank you for your time!



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AGENDA

DAUPHIN COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE Plan Draft Review Meeting

Wednesday, June 2, 2021 | 6:00-8:00 p.m.

1. Welcome

2. Review the Planning Process

3. Review the Document

4. Next Steps
 - a. Finishing touches
 - b. Submission to PEMA
 - c. Submission to FEMA

5. Questions

