

Memorandum



TO: J. Dudley Watts, County Manager
FROM: Melton Sadler, Emergency Management Director
DATE: October 7, 2014
SUBJECT: Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Review – 2014

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The Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Office of Emergency Management coordinates an annual review of the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan to ensure that goals and objectives set forth in the plan are kept current and the local mitigation efforts to reduce the impact of natural hazards are being accomplished. The original Plan was adopted in September, 2010 and requires periodic review thereafter. The review process involves all members of the Mitigation Planning Team, which includes representatives of all affected County departments, as well as representatives from all jurisdictions included in the plan: the City of Winston-Salem, Town of Bethania, Village of Clemmons, Town of Kernersville, Town of Lewisville, Village of Tobaccoville, Town of Rural Hall and Town of Walkertown.

A progress report is generated to reflect the effectiveness of mitigation action implementation, as outlined in the plan and reviewed by each Mitigation Planning Team member. The report includes any recommended revisions to the plan. To comply with National Flood Insurance Program regulations, this report must be reviewed by each jurisdiction's governing board, released to the media and made available to the public.

During the review, mitigation actions are evaluated to determine if they are cost beneficial; address identified hazard risks; are attainable and within identified capabilities; are technically feasible; are politically acceptable; are socially acceptable; are legal; are environmentally sound and are compatible with stated mitigation goals and objectives.

The purpose of this memo is to alert the governing boards that a progress report was generated following the full review of established mitigation actions within the plan by the Mitigation Planning Team and is now available for review by each governing board.

The Forsyth County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and the 2014 Hazard Mitigation Plan Progress Report are located at the following link:

<http://www.readyforsyth.org/forsyth-county-multi-jurisdictional-hazard-mitigation-plan-now-available-online/>

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