

City of New Orleans Hazard Mitigation Planning

City of New Orleans Climate and Environment Working Group

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Greetings

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Agenda

- 2020 Mitigation Planning Process Overview
- Introductions
- Focus Questions
- Report Out
- Next Steps



Introductions

- I. Tell us who you are and who you represent (organizational affiliations)
- II. Tell us about one project or effort to reduce the risks associated with climate change that you want to see realized by 2025



Project Timeline



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Detailed Timeline

Working Group Meetings: Climate, Water, City Agencies

Meeting 1: Week of 9/28

Meeting 2: Week of 10/12

Planning Committee Meeting: Week of 10/26

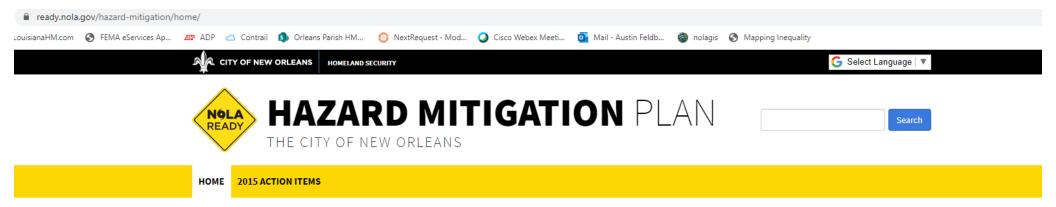
Planning Committee Meeting and Public Meeting: Week of 11/2



How to Provide Input

- I. Visit ready.nola.gov/hazard-mitigation/home/
- II. Review and Comment on 2015 Actions, and Propose New Actions
- III. Email <u>hazardmitigation@nola.gov</u>
- IV. Provide as much detail as you can





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2020 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Upcoming Community Meeting, Thursday, Sep. 17 at 6pm

Join us online for the third community meeting on the Hazard Mitigation Plan Update.

Register here Review and comment on 2015 action items

We're planning for a resilient future.

In 2020, the City of New Orleans will update its Hazard Mitigation Plan. Through this process, we will detail the risks faced by our city--both man made and naturally occurring--and risk reduction strategies that can help lessen the impact of future disasters. The plan helps guide the City and its partners to implement these strategies throughout New Orleans.

For the first time ever, the City's plan will be multi-jurisdictional with major stakeholders involved as signatories, including the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans, New Orleans Redevelopment Authority, Housing Authority of New Orleans, Orleans Parish School Board, Dillard University, Loyola University of New Orleans, Tulane University, and Xavier University. Together in this planning process, these entities will identify shared resilience goals, increase access to joint mitigation efforts and grant opportunities, and leverage resources to increase risk education and community outreach.

Maintaining an up-to-date Hazard Mitigation Plan is also a federal requirement. The Hazard Mitigation Office, housed in the New Orleans Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, will oversee the plan update process. Read the current Hazard Mitigation Plan, which was adopted in 2016.

2020 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Mitigation Actions

During the last update of the Hazard Mitigation Plan in 2015, the following action items were identified to reduce risk in the face of future disasters. You can filter the actions by mission area, capability, hazard addressed, status as of the end of 2019, and agency responsible. As the City drafts new action items for the 2020 update, we're asking for your feedback and suggestions to make New Orleans more resilient during the next five years.

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Comment on this action item

Action Item

1.01 Increase the City's preparedness by becoming StormReady and by pursuing No Adverse Impact

Your Name

Your Email

Your Organization (if applicable)

Comment (required)

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Evaluating Mitigation Actions for the 2020 HMP

- Submit List of Recommended Actions to the Steering Committee for Review
- The Steering Committee will use the Social, Technical, Administrative, Political, Legal, Economic, and Environmental (STAPLEE) Criteria for Evaluation
- The STAPLEE Evaluation along with the Public Comment and Feedback will be factored into the final draft of the Mitigation Action Strategy



STAPLEE Criteria Worksheet

1. Fill in the goal and its corresponding objective. Use a separate worksheet for each objective. The considerations under each criterion are suggested ones to use; you can revise these to reflect your own considerations (see Table 2-1).

2. Fill in the alternative actions that address the specific objectives the planning team identified in Worksheet #1.

3. Scoring: For each consideration, indicate a plus (+) for favorable, and a negative (-) for less favorable.

When you complete the scoring, negatives will indicate gaps or shortcomings in the particular action, which can be noted in the Comments section. For considerations that do not apply, fill in N/A for not applicable. Only leave a blank if you do not know an answer. In this case, make a note in the Comments section of the "expert" or source to consult to help you evaluate the criterion.

Source: Federal Emergency Management Agency. 2003. State and Local Mitigation Planning How-To Guide: Developing the Mitigation Plan – Identifying Mitigation Actions and Implementation Strategies. FEMA. http://www.fema.gov/fima/planning_howto3.shtm



Goal: _____

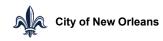
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Considerations → for Alternative Actions ↓	Community Acceptance	Effect on Segment of Population	Technical Feasibility	Long-term Solution	Secondary Impacts	Staffing	Funding Allocated	Maintenance/ Operations	Political Support	Local Champion	Public Support	State Authority	Existing Local Authority	Potential Legal Challenge	Benefit of Action	Cost of Action	Contributes to Economic Goals	Outside Funding Required	Effect on Land/ Water	Effect on Endangered Species	Effect on HAZMAT/ Waste Sites	Consistent with Community Environmental Goals	with ws

Source: Federal Emergency Management Agency. 2003. State and Local Mitigation Planning How-To Guide: Developing the Mitigation Plan – Identifying Mitigation Actions and Implementation Strategies. FEMA. http://www.fema.gov/fima/planning_howto3.shtm



Mitigation Strategy Framework



Foundational Principles 2015

- Consider the principles of equity in risk reduction decisions, including land use, zoning, and the allotment of funds and resources
- Plan for future conditions, including development and climate change
- Plan for minimizing damage and maximizing disaster recovery
- Treat risk reduction and hazard mitigation as part of an integrated system, with an emphasis on safety.



draft Identified Hazards

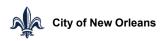
Natural Hazards	Man-Made Hazards
Flooding	Hazardous Materials (Includes Spills/Releases and Contamination)
Tropical Cyclones	Active Threats (Includes Terrorism, Civil Unrest, Cyber Threats, and Active Attack)
Coastal Erosion	Infrastructure Failure (Includes Levee Failure, Building Collapse, Water Systems Failure, and Power Outages)
Tornadoes	Infectious Disease Outbreak (Including Pandemic)
Subsidence	Economic Shock
Winter Weather	
Extreme Heat	
Severe Thunderstorms	



Climate Change affects Risk and Vulnerability

Including, but not limited to

- Frequency and Severity of Severe Storms and Tropical Cyclones
- Drought
- Exposure to extreme heat
- Vector-borne Disease Transmission
- Changing MS River flood trends



2015 Action Items that address Climate Impacts



Goal 1: Reduce Risk to the Human Environment

1.12 Set up cooling shelters during extreme heat events

1.13 Adopt ordinance requiring water saving measures in time of drought



Goal 2: Reduce Risk to the Built Environment

2.04 Citywide Enhancements to Street Drainage: Green Inrastructure

2.11 Install rain gardens and storm water retention systems to reduce subsidence and flooding. Develop site design and landscape standards.

- 2.12 Harden/retrofit critical facilities
- 2.14 Acquisition/Buyout program
- 2.15 Adopt Higher Regulatory Standards
- 2.22 Install a System of Sensors that is Automated



Goal 3: Reduce risk to the Natural Environment

- 3.01 Golden Triangle Marsh Creation
- 3.02 Biloxi Marsh Living Shoreline
- 3.05 Plan for MS River Delta ecosystem sustainability
- 3.06 Orleans Land Bridge
- 3.07 Wetland Restoration near Fort Pike
- 3.08 Develop Parish wetland protection regulations
- 3.09 Lake Pontchartrain Fringe Marsh and Shoreline



Goal 4: Maximize Involvement of Whole Community in Risk Reduction through Education and Outreach

4.06 Promote use of building methods which are hazard resistant and above code

- 4.15 Evaluate voluntary incentive programs to encourage builders to go beyond minimum requirements
- 4.17 Develop a small business resilience program



Goal 5: Promote, implement and sustain mitigation measures in order to reduce and manage risks to human life, the environment, and property

5.03 Maintain a comprehensive GIS database

5.05 Support efforts to raise ICC funding cap and expand availability of ICC

5.13 Coordinate with USACE and SLFPA regarding levee system improvements and maintenance

5.20 Incorporate climate change impacts into all planning



Actions and Strategies from Related Plans/Programs

- City Master Plan, Climate Action Plan, Urban Water Plan
- SWBNO HM Plan
- Louisiana Coastal Master Plan, Watershed Initiative
- Other Best Practices



Climate Action Equity Report

Recommendations

- I. Income Qualified Weatherization Program
- II. Community Solar Alternatives
- III. Establish citizen advisory board on energy and equity



Discussion

Risk Reduction happens at multiple scales and can take the form of projects, programs, policies, and procedures.

- 1. What neighborhood-level actions would you propose?
- 2. What citywide initiatives would you propose?



Next Steps

- Planning team will compile input from first working group meetings
- 2nd working group meeting: report out on potential strategies; workshop any missing details
- Planning Committee Meeting
- Present Draft Mitigation Strategy for public comment



THANK YOU

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