Hazard Mitigation Plan

Chapter 38

Golf Annex

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Reporting Year: _____

Background: Cook County and participating municipalities in the county developed a hazard mitigation plan to reduce risk from all hazards by identifying resources, information, and strategies for risk reduction. The federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires state and local governments to develop hazard mitigation plans as a condition for federal disaster grant assistance. To prepare the plan, the participating partners organized resources, assessed risks from natural hazards within the county, developed planning goals and objectives, reviewed mitigation alternatives, and developed an action plan to address probable impacts from natural hazards. By completing this process, these jurisdictions maintained compliance with the Disaster Mitigation Act, achieving eligibility for mitigation grant funding opportunities afforded under the Robert T. Stafford Act. The Annex can be viewed on-line at:

http://www.cookcountyhomelandsecurity.org/

Summary Overview of the Plan's Progress: The performance period for the Hazard Mitigation Plan became effective on September 26, 2014, with the final approval of the plan by FEMA. The initial performance period for this plan will be 5 years, with an anticipated update to the plan to occur before September 2019. As of the reporting period, the following overall action plan progress can be reported. Please see Hazard Mitigation Action Plan Matrix Table in Annex:

- 1 out of 10 actions (10 %) were reported as being complete.
- 2 out of 10 actions (60 %) reported no action taken.
- 7 out of 10 actions (70 %) reported ongoing

Purpose: The purpose of this report is to provide an annual update on the implementation of the action plan identified in the Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. The objective is to ensure that there is a continuing and responsive planning process that will keep the Hazard Mitigation Plan dynamic and responsive to the needs and capabilities of the partner jurisdictions. This report discusses the following:

- Natural hazard events that have occurred within the last year
- Changes in risk exposure within the planning area (all of Cook County) Mitigation success stories
- Review of the action plan
- Changes in capabilities that could impact plan implementation
- Recommendations for changes/enhancement.

The Hazard Mitigation Plan Steering Committee: The Hazard Mitigation Plan Steering Committee, made up of planning partners and stakeholders within the planning area, reviewed and approved this progress report at its annual meeting held in fall of the reporting year. It was determined through the plan's development process that a steering committee would remain in service to oversee maintenance of the plan. At a minimum, the Steering Committee will provide technical review and oversight on the development of the annual progress report. It is anticipated that there will be turnover in the membership annually, which will be documented in the progress reports. For this reporting period, the Steering Committee membership is as indicated in Table 1.

Table 1
STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Name	Title	Juirisdiction/ Agency
Cosme, Michael	Senior Civil Engineer	Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago
Doughtie, Matt	Sr. Emergency Management Coordinator	City of Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications
Eber, Brian	Northeast Illinois Floodplain Program Coordinator	Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Water Resources
Frum, Sandra	Village President	Northwest Municipal Conference
McNeils, John	Project Engineer / Township Liaison	Cook County
Maxie-Alexander, Yvette	Manager, External Relations	American Red Cross
Pulia, Sam	Village President	Village of Westchester
Saewert, Scott	Highway Commissioner	Wheeling Township Commissioner
Schaefer, John	Director of Public works	Village of Homewood
Schnoes, Kevin	Deputy Director	Cook County Department of Environmental Control
Tocci, Dominic	Deputy Director	Planning and Development

Natural Hazard Events within the Planning Area: During the reporting period, there were 1 natural hazard events in the planning area that had a measurable impact on people or property. A summary of these events is as follows:

One (1) major storm with branches down throughout the Village. The Village was able to handle clean up on it's own. It wasn't necessary to request outside assistance.

Mitigation Success Stories: *(Insert brief overview of mitigation accomplishments during the reporting period)*

Clean up of downed trees & branches.

Review of the Action Plan: Table 2 reviews the action plan, reporting the status of each action. Reviewers of this report should refer to the Hazard Mitigation Plan for more detailed descriptions of each action and the prioritization process. Action items are located in table Hazard Mitigation Action Plan Matrix of your Annex. You can retrieve your annex at http://www.cookcountyhomelandsecurity.org/hazard-mitigation-plan

Address the following in the "status" column of the following table:

- Was any element of the action carried out during the reporting period?
- If no action was completed, why?
- Is the timeline for implementation or the action still appropriate?
- If the action was completed, does it need to be changed or removed from the action plan?

TABLE 2
ACTION PLAN MATRIX

Action Number Action Taken Y/N	Action Item Description	Status (X, O, C, R, N)
# G4 — 1	Emerald Ash Borer education and removal	
Status Description: Yes	On-going efforts are being made.	O
# G4 — 2	Enhance building permit process	
Status Description: Yes	The Village has hired a new building permit administrator	C
# G4 — 3	Post link to HMP and risk awareness on Village website	
Status Description: No		X
# G4 — 4	Maintain functionality of storm sewer system	
Status Description: Yes		O

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# G4 — 5	Maintain/update Code Red system	
Status Description: Action Taken?		O
# G4 — 6	Purchase or relocate structures in hazard-prone areas	
Status Description: No		R
#G4 — 7	Maintain good standing in National Flood Insurance Program	
Status Description: Yes		O
# G4 — 8	Consider development of a capital improvement program	
Status Description: Yes		O
#G4 — 9	Continue to support countywide actions identified in this plan	
Status Description: Yes		O
#G4 — 10	Actively participate in the plan maintenance strategy identified in this plan.	
Status Description: Yes		O

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Public review notice: The contents of this report are considered to be public knowledge and have been prepared for total public disclosure. Copies of the report have been provided to the governing boards of all planning partners and to local media outlets and the report is posted on the Cook County hazard mitigation website. Any questions or comments regarding the contents of this report should be directed to the primary and alternate points of contact:

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