



# Hazard Mitigation Plan

## Chapter \_\_\_\_

## Annex

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**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:

- \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ actions (\_\_\_\_%) were reported as being complete.
- \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ actions (\_\_\_\_%) reported no action taken.

**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.

<b>Table 1 STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Jurisdiction/ Agency</b>
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 (\_\_) natural hazard events in the planning area that had a measurable impact on people or property. A summary of these events is as follows:

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

**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?

<b>TABLE 2 ACTION PLAN MATRIX</b>		
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