



Walker County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, Meeting Notes

11/15/2023

A G E N D A (10/4/2023)

11:00 AM **Welcome, Introductions, and Sign-in**

11:10 AM **Survey, Data, and Mapping Updates**

~~Plan Goals Discussion~~

Plan Maintenance Procedures

Mitigation Action Plans

H-GAC staff will discuss the components of the mitigation action plan, project categories, ideas, plan goals, and plan maintenance procedures.

Next Steps

H-GAC staff will discuss the project timeline and next steps.

Q&A

12:00 PM **Adjourn**

A T T E N D A N C E

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Amanda Ashcroft	Planner, Community & Environmental	H-GAC
Bill Daugette	Walker County Commissioner Pct. 3	Commissioner
Butch Davis	Walker County OEM	Emergency Management Coordinator
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Adam Winningham	Huntsville OEM	Emergency Management Coordinator



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Survey, Data, and Mapping Updates

H-GAC staff and hazard mitigation committee members discussed the online survey final results. The survey was open for responses beginning May 2023 and was heavily advertised at outreach events and through county and city websites. Walker County had a total of 125 responses. H-GAC staff presented 8 maps developed for the Hazard Mitigation Plan. These maps were reviewed extensively by those in attendance. Map changes requested by the committee were notated, corrected maps will be presented at the next meeting. A PDF of all maps and survey data will also be added to the Walker County external HMP SharePoint site.

Plan Goals Discussion & Plan Maintenance Procedures

The hazard mitigation committee discussed plan maintenance procedure from the 2017 plan. The hazard mitigation committee and H-GAC staff then discussed updated plan maintenance procedures. The plan goals were provided as a PDF with meeting notes as the committee forgot to review them at the meeting.

Mitigation Action Plans

H-GAC staff discussed the components of the mitigation action plan, mitigation action project categories, ideas (including resources and where to find them). H-GAC staff also gave information regarding the mitigation strategy. These are the projects or actions to reduce the impacts of the hazards of concern on the community. There are 4 main categories for these actions. Plans and Regulations, Structure and Infrastructure Studies and Projects, Natural Systems Protection Studies and Projects, and Education and Awareness. Staff emphasized how the risk assessment, capability assessment, and feedback from stakeholders all work together to help inform the mitigation strategy.

Next Steps

H-GAC staff highlighted resources and discussed the benefit cost analysis tool through FEMA, including when it would be required for use. H-GAC staff and the hazard mitigation committee then discussed next steps which included the online form for action item submittal, including or updating projects from 2017, individual meetings if jurisdictions need assistance with the online form or action items, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM.