ERGSS

PREPARE · RESPOND · RECOVER · MITIGATE

HAZARD MITIGATION

Hazard Mitigation Planning and Plan Updates

A FEMA-approved local hazard mitigation plan is the condition for most federal mitigation funding, including the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program after a declaration, and it must be updated every five years. ERGSS prepares new plans and five-year updates that meet FEMA's Local Mitigation Planning Policy Guide and move through state review and FEMA approval with each community's own priorities intact.

> **Who we serve:** Counties, cities, townships, tribes, special districts, school districts, colleges and universities, and multi-jurisdictional planning regions

WHAT ERGSS DELIVERS

New plans and five-year updates

A planning process built to the Local Mitigation Planning Policy Guide, from kickoff through state review, FEMA approval and adoption.

Risk assessment and GIS hazard analysis

Hazard profiles, the exposure of people, buildings and critical facilities, and maps for every participating jurisdiction.

Planning team and public engagement

Steering committee facilitation, stakeholder meetings, surveys and the public comment period, documented the way reviewers expect.

Capability assessment

A review of the plans, codes, staff and resources each jurisdiction can bring to mitigation.

Mitigation strategy

Goals and an action plan with priorities, responsible offices, timelines and potential funding sources for each action.

Adoption and plan maintenance

Adoption resolutions, a monitoring and update schedule, and links to comprehensive plans and capital improvement programs.

WHY ERGSS

- Planners who have worked federal disaster operations, including service on FEMA Incident Management Assistance Teams.
- Risk assessments that cover the hazards communities face now, including data centers, battery energy storage and new industrial sites.
- After a declaration, the same team supports HMGP project identification and the documentation behind each application.

HOW AN UPDATE RUNS

- **Organize.** Confirm participants, form the planning team and set the schedule against the current plan's expiration date.
- **Assess.** Update the hazard profiles, risk assessment and capability assessment, jurisdiction by jurisdiction.
- **Strategize.** Review progress on past actions, set new actions and open the draft for public comment.
- **Approve.** Respond to state and FEMA review, then support local adoption and the maintenance schedule.

A 20-minute call to review when your current plan expires and what the update will need.

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