



Creating Resilient Communities

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SOMERSET COUNTY RESILIENCY INITIATIVES

- **Somerset County Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan**

- Draft Energy and Flood Resiliency Framework Documents

- Somerset County Master Plan (SCMP)

- County Investment Framework Map

- **Housing Element**

- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Element

- Preservation Plan Element

- Wastewater Management Plan

- Somerset County Energy Council

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HAZARD

MITIGATION PLAN

Draft Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update



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MITIGATION PLAN

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MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

DRAFT UPDATED
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Prepared by the Somerset County
Mitigation Planning Committee



- Enhances County Planning Division & OEM Partnership
- Expands Stakeholder Participation
- Adds Resiliency to Goals and Objectives
- Provides New Resources:
 - Updated Risk Assessment
 - **Draft Flood Resiliency Framework**
 - Draft Energy Resiliency Framework
 - Climate Memorandum
- Includes New Mitigation & Resilience Projects
- Energizes HMP Implementation and Maintenance
 - Supports Partnerships, Pooling Resources, Leveraging Funds
 - Elevates the importance of HMP Integration

Draft Somerset County Flood Resiliency Framework

KEY COMPONENTS

1. Riverine Flood Risk Overview
2. Flood Resiliency Goals, Objectives and Strategy
“Toolkit”
3. Opportunities for Leveraging Plans, Policies, Programs and Investments to achieve Flood Resiliency

Leveraging NFIP, HMA and CRS Participation

- 1) NFIP-Municipal Floodplain Management Program
 - Strengthen Municipal Flood Damage Prevention Ordinances
 - Expand Municipal Administrative Services
- 2) Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program
 - Support Buy-out of Repetitive Loss Properties
- 2) CRS – Municipal Participation
 - Document activities they may already doing that are creditable
 - Undertake Repetitive Loss Area Analyses
 - Explore feasibility of County CRS Assistance Initiative



Leveraging State Stormwater Management Requirements

- Municipal Stormwater Management Plans and Ordinances
- MS-4 Permit Requirements
- Stream Corridor Protection Plans and Ordinances
- Regional Stormwater Management Plans
- Stormwater Utilities



Leveraging Land Use Plans and Policies

- **Master Plans**
 - Natural Resource Inventories
 - Open Space and Farmland Preservation Plans
 - Environmental Sustainability Element
 - Complete Streets
- **Zoning**
 - Conservation/Preservation Zoning
 - Lot-size Averaging
 - Contiguous and Non-Contiguous Clustering
 - Net versus Gross Density Zoning
- **Site Design**
 - Conservation Subdivision Design
 - Green Design Checklist
 - No-adverse Impact Floodplain Management
- **Construction Codes and Standards**
 - Higher-than-Minimum Standards in Flood Hazard Areas
 - LEED, Green & High-Performance Buildings

Leveraging Partnerships, Investments and Resources

Partnerships

- Sustainable Jersey Certification
- Rutgers NJ Ag Experiment Station – Water Resource Program
- Sustainable Raritan Collaborative
- Watershed Associations/Groups
- NJ Waterworks

Investments

- Flood Control Improvements
- Asset Management
- Stormwater Retrofits
- Mitigation Banks

Federal, State and Regional Plans, Programs and Resources

- FEMA
- State HMP, SDRP, HRMP, TNJ
- NJOEM, NJDEP, NJOPA, NJEDA

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Somerset County Hazard Mitigation Plan Website:

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