MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL NATURAL HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN



















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This plan describes natural disasters that have occurred in this area over thousands of years. Descriptions of natural hazard events include recounting of severe damage and loss of life, and in some cases include photos. Vulnerability analysis of future events may include predictions of major injury or death. Understanding risk is an important purpose of this plan, and while care has been taken to not sensationalize descriptions and images in a way that may be traumatizing, readers of the plan should be aware that these events are recounted.

People living in this area, both before and since the establishment of Multnomah County, have lived through many severe natural hazard events. This plan is dedicated to all of those residents, and to memorialize those who have lost their lives in disasters. While natural disaster risk cannot be eliminated, it is hoped that the efforts of those who contributed to this plan will reduce future loss of life and help foster more equitably resilient communities.



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Dear Ms. Feigum:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region 10 completed a pre-adoption review of the draft Multnomah County Hazard Mitigation Plan. The attached Mitigation Plan Review Tool documents the Region's review and compliance with all required elements of 44 CFR Part 201.6, as well as identifies the jurisdictions participating in the planning process. This letter serves as Region 10's commitment to approve the plan upon receiving documentation of its adoption by participating jurisdictions.

Formal adoption documentation must be submitted to FEMA Region 10 by at least one jurisdiction within one calendar year of the date of this letter, or the entire plan must be updated and resubmitted for review. Once FEMA approves the plan, the jurisdictions are eligible to apply for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance grants.

Please contact Erin Cooper, Regional Mitigation Planning Program Manager, at 202-856-1927 or erin.cooper@fema.dhs.gov with any questions.

Sincerely,

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