



# 2026 Cameron Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Kickoff Meeting

March 14, 2025





# The Hazard Mitigation Plan: What is in it for us?



# Hazard Mitigation Is...

- Any action taken to reduce long term risk to life and property;
- On-going process that occurs before, during, and after disasters;
- Mitigation actions help prevent damage to a community's infrastructure, economic, cultural and environmental assets;
- Minimize operational downtime and accelerate recovery of government and the private sector after an event;
- ***Implementation of mitigation actions leads to building stronger, safer and smarter!***



# Why Have a Hazard Mitigation Plan

- Planning efforts help our communities become more sustainable and disaster-resilient
  - Focuses efforts on the hazards, disaster-prone areas and identifying appropriate mitigation actions for future projects
- Must have a FEMA approved plan as a condition for receiving certain types of non-emergency disaster assistance
- **No Plan = No Mitigation Money = No Project Funding**



# Federal Requirements

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Revised as of October 1, 2018

Emergency Management  
and  
Assistance

- Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000)
  - **Section 322** of the Act specifically addresses mitigation planning and requires state and local governments to prepare multi-hazard mitigation plans as a precondition for receiving FEMA mitigation project grants.
- Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §201.6 for FEMA approval and eligibility to apply for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance

# Plan Update Requirements

- The plan must be updated every five years
- Must identify & involve a comprehensive group of stakeholders
  - Includes local business, academia and those representing underserved populations (nonprofits, community-based organizations etc.)
- Re-assess vulnerability to natural hazards faced by the parish
  - Consider any changes and address events that have occurred since the completion of the previous plan
- Incorporate local planning efforts
- Report mitigation strategy (projects) progress and discuss adjustments



# The Planning Committee

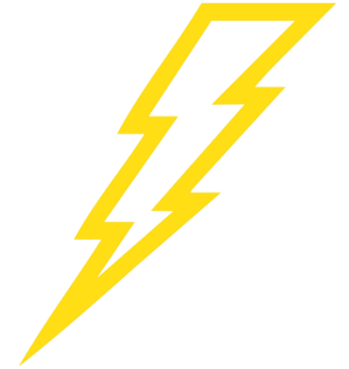
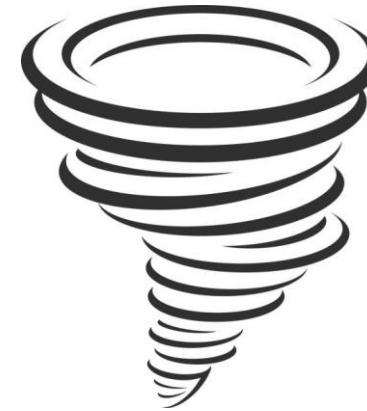
- Planning committee should consist of people from any department/agency who can provide input to planning process
  - Should also include those who represent private business and industry, as well as those who serve disadvantaged communities
- Responsibilities of representatives include:
  - Verifying and/or updating **Capability Assessment, NFIP, Parish-owned Building Inventory, and Vulnerable Population data** for the plan
  - Providing status updates for **existing mitigation actions** and proposing **new actions** if necessary.



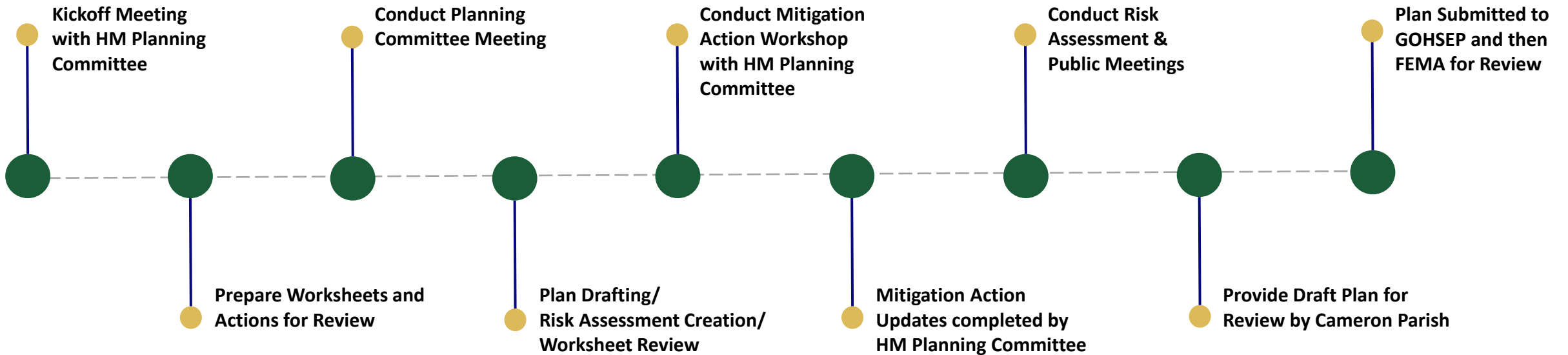
# Hazard Identification And Risk Assessment

Hazards From Previous HMP Include:

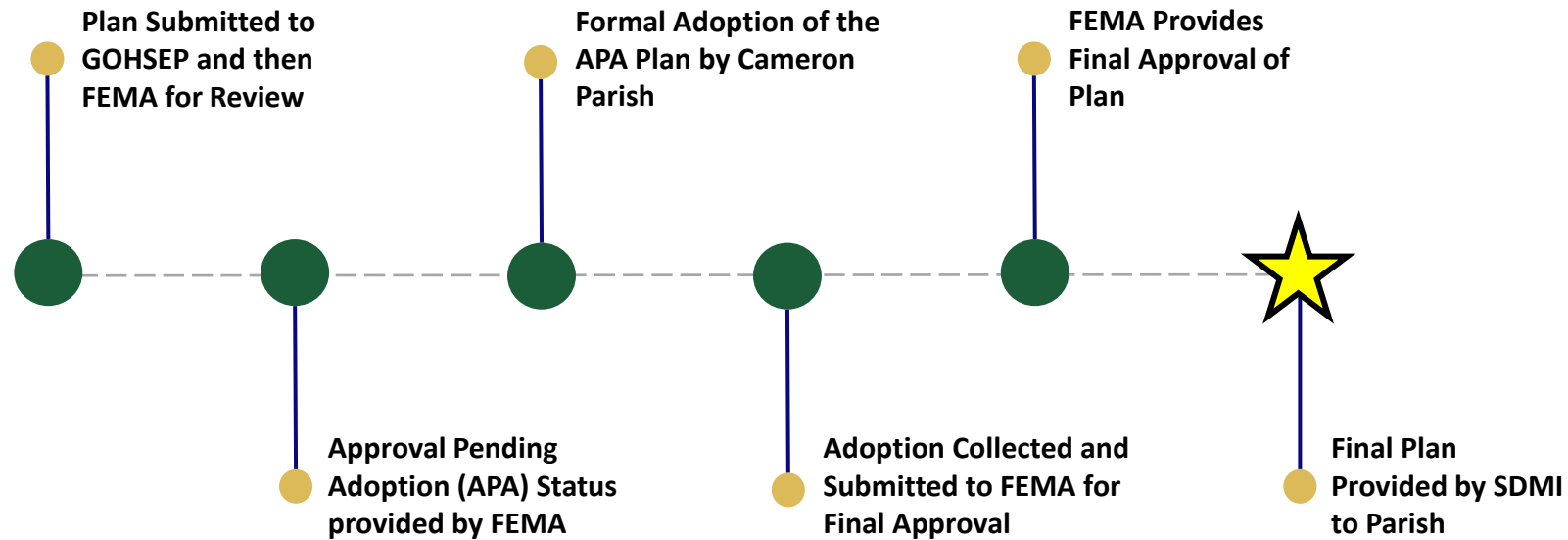
- Coastal Hazards
- Drought
- Excessive Heat
- Flooding
- Sinkholes
- Thunderstorms
- Tornadoes
- Tropical Cyclones
- Wildfires



# Plan Update Process Timeline




# Plan Approval Timeline



# Plan Adoption

- Cameron Parish **MUST** adopt the final plan once it is approved by FEMA
- Resolutions must be formally adopted, signed, and placed into the final planning document.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 1129

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
PARISH OF CAMERON

A RESOLUTION OF THE CAMERON PARISH POLICE JURY  
CAMERON PARISH HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN - 2020

WHEREAS, the Cameron Parish Police Jury recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Cameron has prepared a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as CAMERON PARISH HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN – 2020 in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and


WHEREAS, Cameron Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan – 2020 identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in Cameron Parish from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS, adoption by the Cameron Parish Police Jury demonstrates their commitment to the hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the Cameron Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan – 2020


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Parish of Cameron, Louisiana, that the Cameron Parish Police Jury adopts the Cameron Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan – 2020

ADOPTED by a vote of 8 in favor and 0 against, and 0 abstaining, this 13th day of November, 2020.

APPROVED:

  
MAGNUS MCGEE, PRESIDENT  
CAMERON PARISH POLICE JURY

ATTEST:





# The Final Product

- FEMA approved Hazard Mitigation Plan
  - Meets requirements of Title 44 Code of Regulations (CFR) §201.6 for approval and eligibility to apply for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance grant programs.
  - A hazard mitigation project strategy for Cameron Parish
  - A comprehensive list of parish owned properties
  - Assessment of natural disaster-related risks and vulnerabilities



# Parish Mitigation Survey

- Collects information from citizens regarding their perceptions of local hazards and mitigation efforts
- Results will be included in the plan if there are enough responses

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# SDMI Hazard Mitigation Website

- Repository for materials used during update process
- <https://hmplans.sdmi.lsu.edu/Home/Parish/cameron>

The screenshot displays the website interface for Cameron Parish. At the top, the LSU Stephenson Disaster Management Institute logo is visible, along with a navigation bar containing 'Intro', 'Events', 'FEMA Resources', 'Parish Plans', and 'Settings'. The main heading is 'HAZARD MITIGATION'. Below this, the 'Cameron Parish' page is shown, featuring a 'PLAN DUE DATE: JANUARY 4 2026' badge. A 'DEVELOPMENT STATUS' progress bar indicates the current stage: 'PLAN DEVELOPMENT' (yellow), 'PLAN REVIEW' (purple), 'PLAN ADOPTION' (purple), and 'COMPLETED' (purple). A timeline below the progress bar shows 'KICKOFF MEETING MAR 2025', 'TBD', 'TBD', and 'TBD'. The 'PARTICIPATING JURISDICTIONS' section lists 'Cameron Parish, Unincorporated Areas'. A calendar event for 'MAR 14 2025 CAMERON PARISH KICKOFF MEETING' is highlighted, with details: 'Phone Conference 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM 3/14/2025'. Below this, the 'PREVIOUS PLANS' section is organized by year: 2020 and 2015. Each year has three items with 'DOWNLOAD' buttons: '2020 CAMERON PARISH PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING', '2020 CAMERON PARISH RISK ASSESSMENT/PUBLIC MEETING', and '2020 CAMERON PARISH HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN' for 2020; and '2015 CAMERON PARISH KICKOFF MEETING', '2015 CAMERON PARISH RISK ASSESSMENT/PUBLIC MEETING', and '2015 CAMERON PARISH HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN' for 2015. At the bottom, there is a 'Survey' section with an 'Access Survey' button and the LSU logo.



# Next Steps

- Identify Neighboring Community
  - Vermillion was used in 2020 Plan
- Parish Seal/Logo
- Dates for Next Meetings
  - *Plan due 1/4/2026*
  - Initial Planning Committee Meeting
  - Mitigation Action Workshop (Optional)
  - Risk Assessment Review with Committee
  - Public Meeting



