



2026 Beaugard Parish Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Planning Committee Meeting

July 10, 2025



Introductions

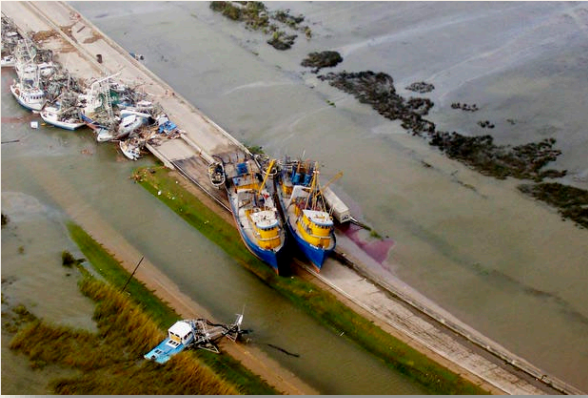
- **Beauregard Parish**
 - Scott Greenmun – Beauregard Parish OHSEP Director
 - Planning Committee Members
- **Stephenson Disaster Management Institute (SDMI)**
 - Chris Rippetoe – Hazard Mitigation Program Manager
 - Jason Martin – Emergency Management Analyst
- **Governor’s Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP)**
 - Jeffrey Giering – State Hazard Mitigation Officer
 - Marion Pearson – Hazard Mitigation Planner
 - Lennie LaFleur – Preparedness Program Specialist



Who is SDMI?

- Stephenson Disaster Management Institute (SDMI) at Louisiana State University
- Non-Academic, Applied Research Unit on campus
- Specialize in providing programmatic support and decision making tools for state and local emergency managers
 - Hazard Mitigation Plans
 - Emergency Operations Plans
 - Geographic Information Systems
 - Application Development
 - Data Visualization
 - Aerial Imagery Collection/Processing

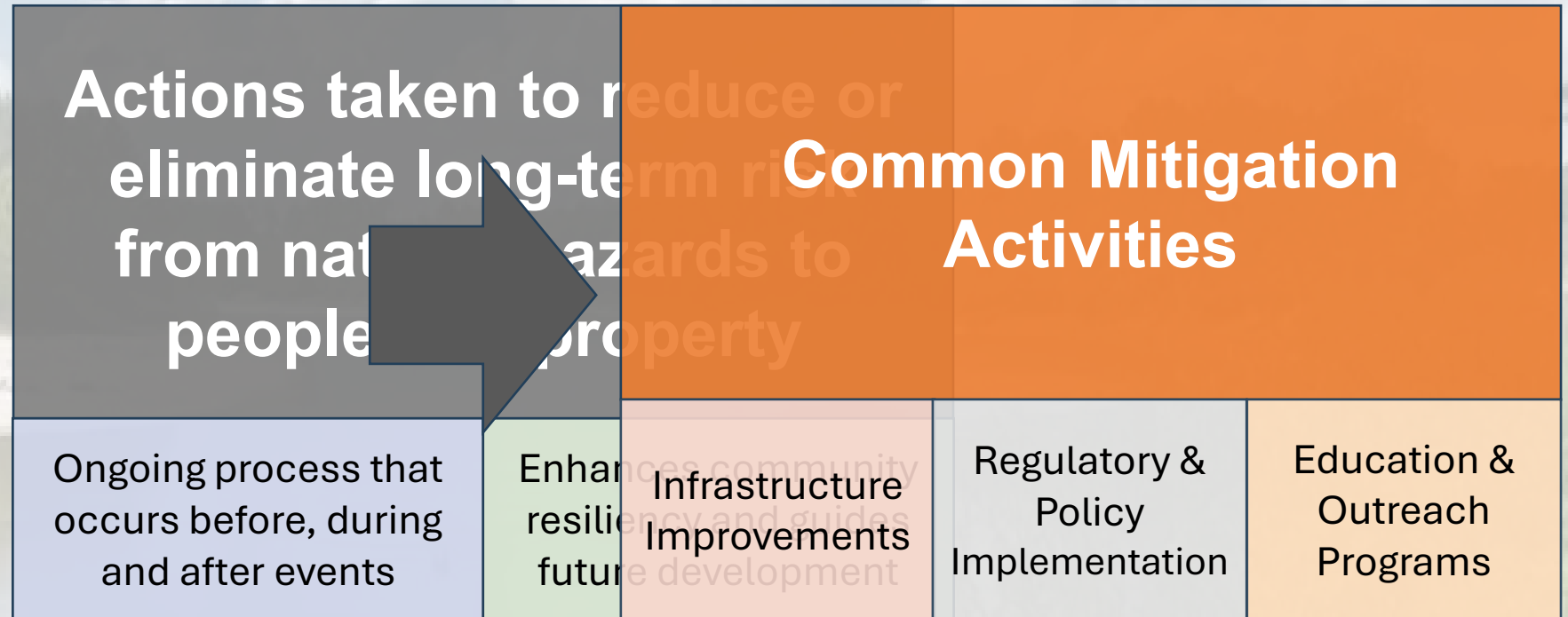




The Hazard Mitigation Plan: What is in it for us?



What Is Hazard Mitigation?



Benefits of Hazard Mitigation



Saves Lives

Protects
residents and
first
responders



Reduces Property Damage

Increases
building,
infrastructure
and
community
resiliency



Minimizes Economic Disruptions

Reduces
disaster
recovery costs

Why Have A Hazard Mitigation Plan

Planning efforts help communities become more resilient and sustainable

- Provides platform for input from diverse group of stakeholders
- Identifies most prevalent hazards in the community
- Outlines a strategy to protect community from hazards

Maintains community eligibility for federal post-disaster mitigation funding

- Disaster Mitigation Act (DMA) of 2000 Section 322
- Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §201.6
- **No Plan = No Mitigation Money = No Projects!**





Hazard Mitigation Planning is a process that identifies natural hazard risks and develops strategies to reduce these risks



Plan Update Process

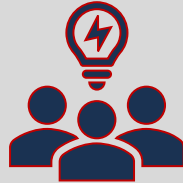


HMP Update Requirements



Must be updated and receive FEMA approval every five years

- Reassess risks, vulnerabilities & mitigation strategy
- Must reflect changes in conditions & development



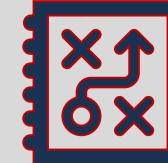
Must include a robust planning committee/ stakeholder group

- Incorporated jurisdictions
- Local/parish agencies
- Local business/ industry
- Underserved populations



Must identify and evaluate the risks from natural hazards

- Types/sources of hazards
- Location/extent
- Impacts on community
- Previous occurrences
- Potential for future events



Must outline strategy for reducing impacts for identified risks

- Set clear goals/ objectives
- Identify actions or projects
- Establish timelines, responsible parties & funding sources



Must be formally adopted by all participating jurisdictions

- All HM plans in LA are multi-jurisdictional
- Administered at parish level
- Incorporated communities within parish must also adopt

Planning Committee Expectations

- Parish will serve as the POC throughout the planning process
- Jurisdictions **MUST** demonstrate active participation in the planning process by:

Having representatives attend planning meetings

Completing all state-required worksheets

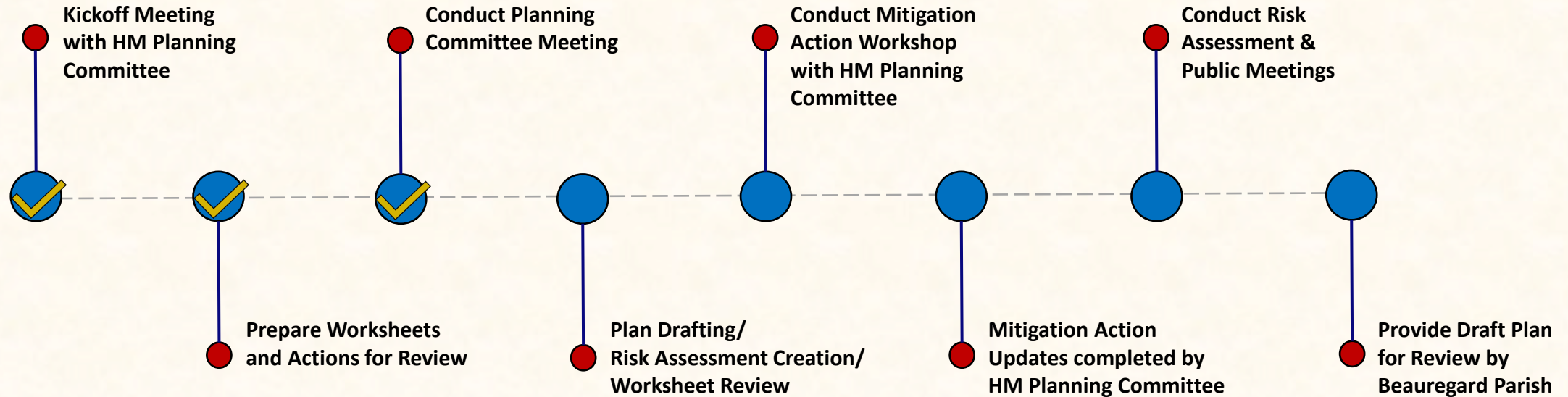
Identifying and updating mitigation actions & projects

Engaging with the community and relevant agencies for feedback

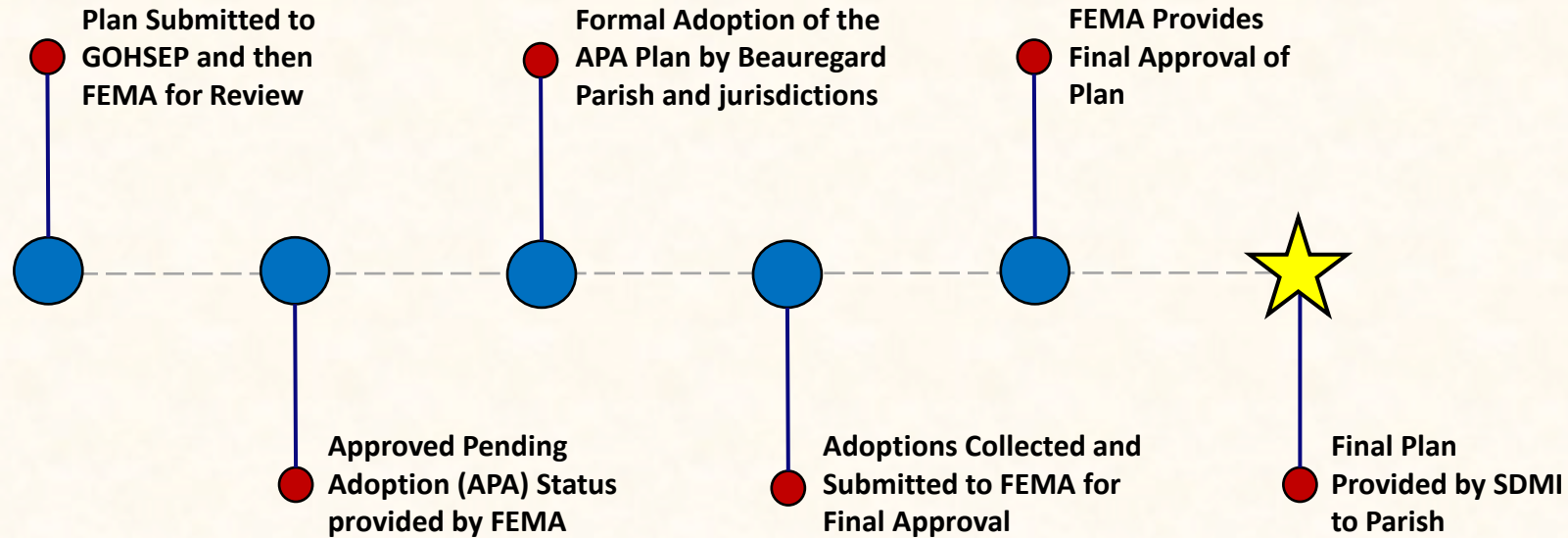
Formally adopting the final plan



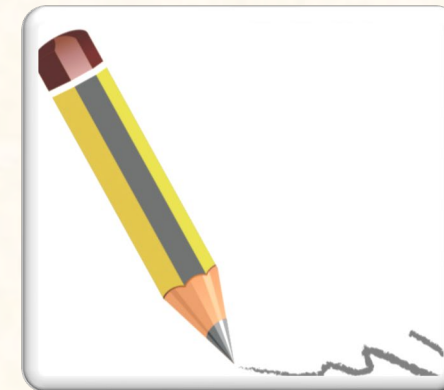
Plan Update Process Timeline



Plan Approval Timeline



Plan Development



Plan Layout

Main Sections

1. Introduction
2. Hazard Identification & Risk Assessment
3. Capability Assessment
4. Mitigation Strategy

Appendices

- A. Planning Process
- B. Plan Maintenance
- C. Parish Critical Facilities
- D. Plan Adoption
- E. State Required Worksheets



Section 1: Introduction

- Parish Description & Geography
- Updated Census Information
 - Total Population
 - Population Density
- Economic update
 - Detail major economic sectors
 - New companies that are having a positive economic impact on the parish



Section 2: Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment

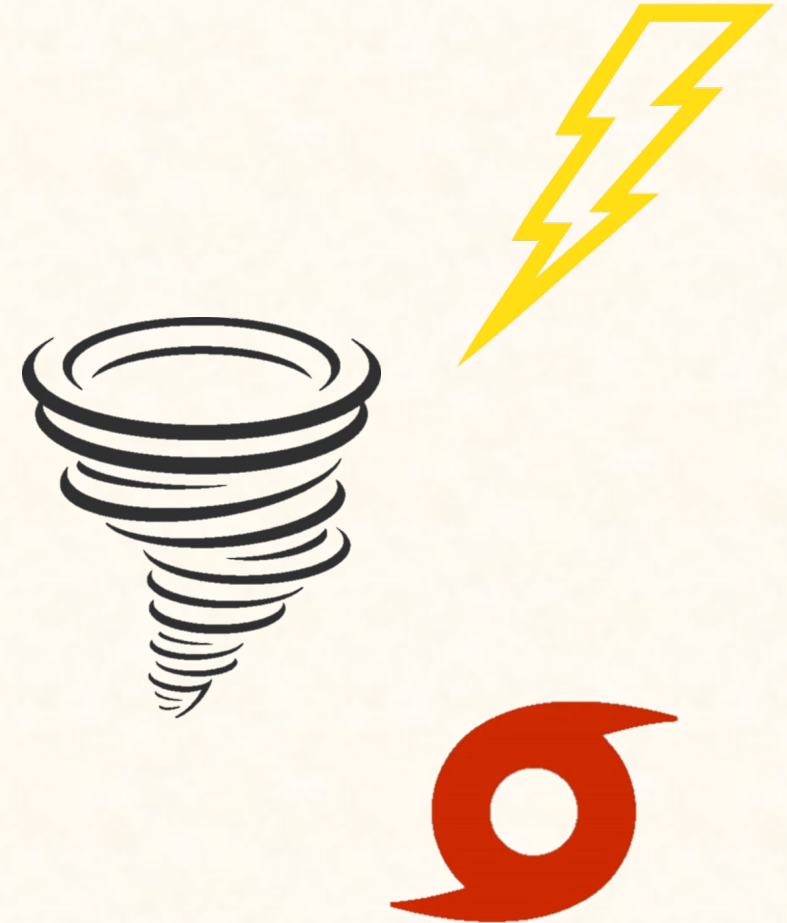
- Previously Profiled Hazards
- Newly Identified Hazards
- Previous Occurrences
- Probability of Future Events
- Potential Losses due to an Event
- Zoning and Land Use
- Impacts on Critical Facilities
- Impacts from Future Development
- Future Impacts on Communities



Previously Profiled Hazards

Hazards From Previous HMP Include:

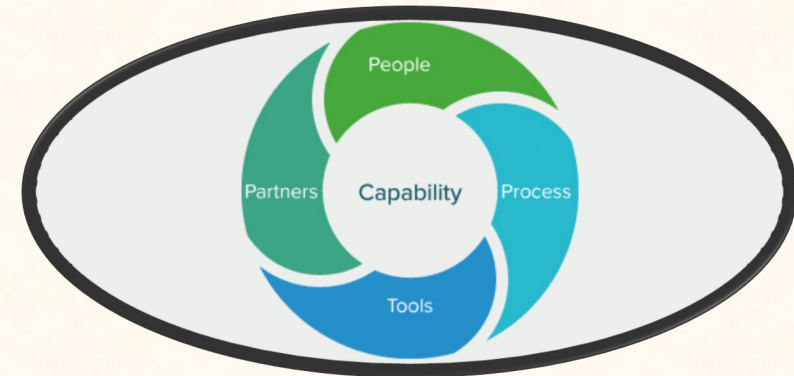
- Drought
- Excessive Heat
- Flooding
- Sinkholes
- Thunderstorms
- Tornadoes
- Tropical Cyclones
- Wildfires
- Winter Weather



Section 3: Capability Assessment

Primary types of capabilities for reducing long-term vulnerability through mitigation planning are:

- Planning and Regulatory
- Administrative and Technical
- Financial
- Educational and Outreach



Section 4: Mitigation Strategy



Set Clear Goals & Objectives

Define what the plan aims to achieve (e.g., reducing flood damage, improving power resilience)



Develop & Prioritize Projects

Rank mitigation actions based on feasibility, cost-effectiveness, and community impact



Integrate with Other Plans

Align with comprehensive land use plans, zoning regulations, and capital improvement programs



Seek Funding & Partnerships

Leverage federal, state, and local resources while collaborating with stakeholders



Monitor, Evaluate & Update

Regularly review progress and adjust strategies to reflect new risks and opportunities.



Beauregard Parish Hazard Mitigation Goals



Improve education & outreach efforts regarding potential impacts of hazards and the identification of specific measures that can be taken to reduce their impact



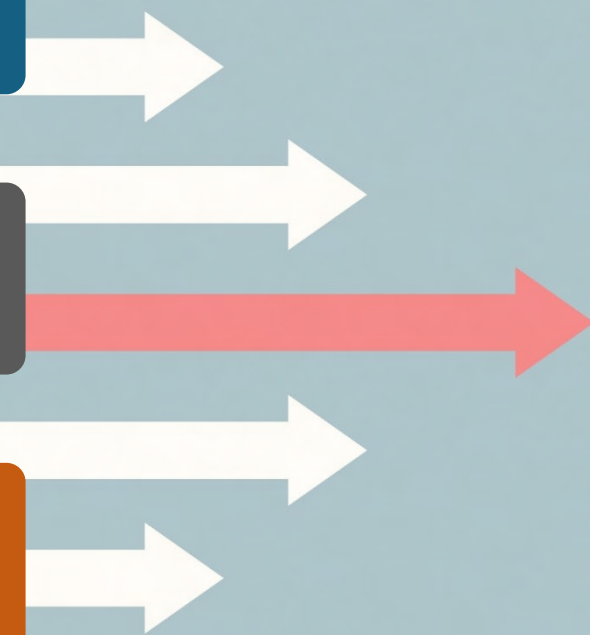
Improve data collection, use and sharing to reduce the impacts of hazards



Improve capabilities and coordination to plan and implement hazard mitigation projects



Pursue opportunities to reduce impacts from hazards through mitigation of repetitive loss and severe repetitive loss properties & other appropriate construction projects and related activities



Appendix A: Planning Process

- Overview of planning process
- Planning committee members identified
- Meeting documentation and summaries
- Discussion of neighboring community participation



Appendix B: Plan Maintenance

- Review of HM Plan **annual** maintenance by the Beauregard Parish OHSEP Director and planning committee members
- Assign responsible parties for review and edits of the plan



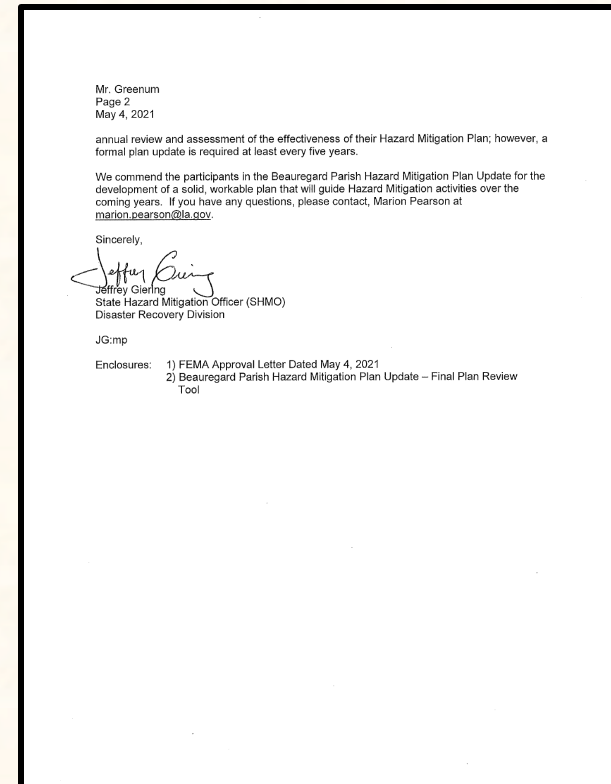
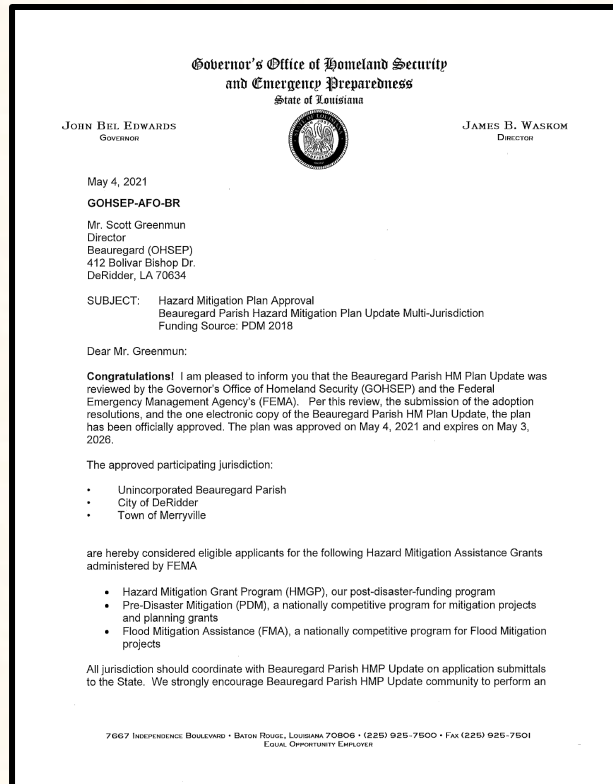
Appendix C: Critical Facilities

- Updated list of critical facilities
- Facilities must be owned by parish or jurisdiction
- Identifies which hazards within the risk assessment pose a threat to each facility



Appendix D: Plan Adoption

- Adoptions take place **AFTER** the plan is issued Approved Pending Adoption (APA) status by FEMA
- Beauregard Parish and all jurisdictions **MUST** adopt the APA plan



Appendix E: State Required Worksheets



Capability Assessment



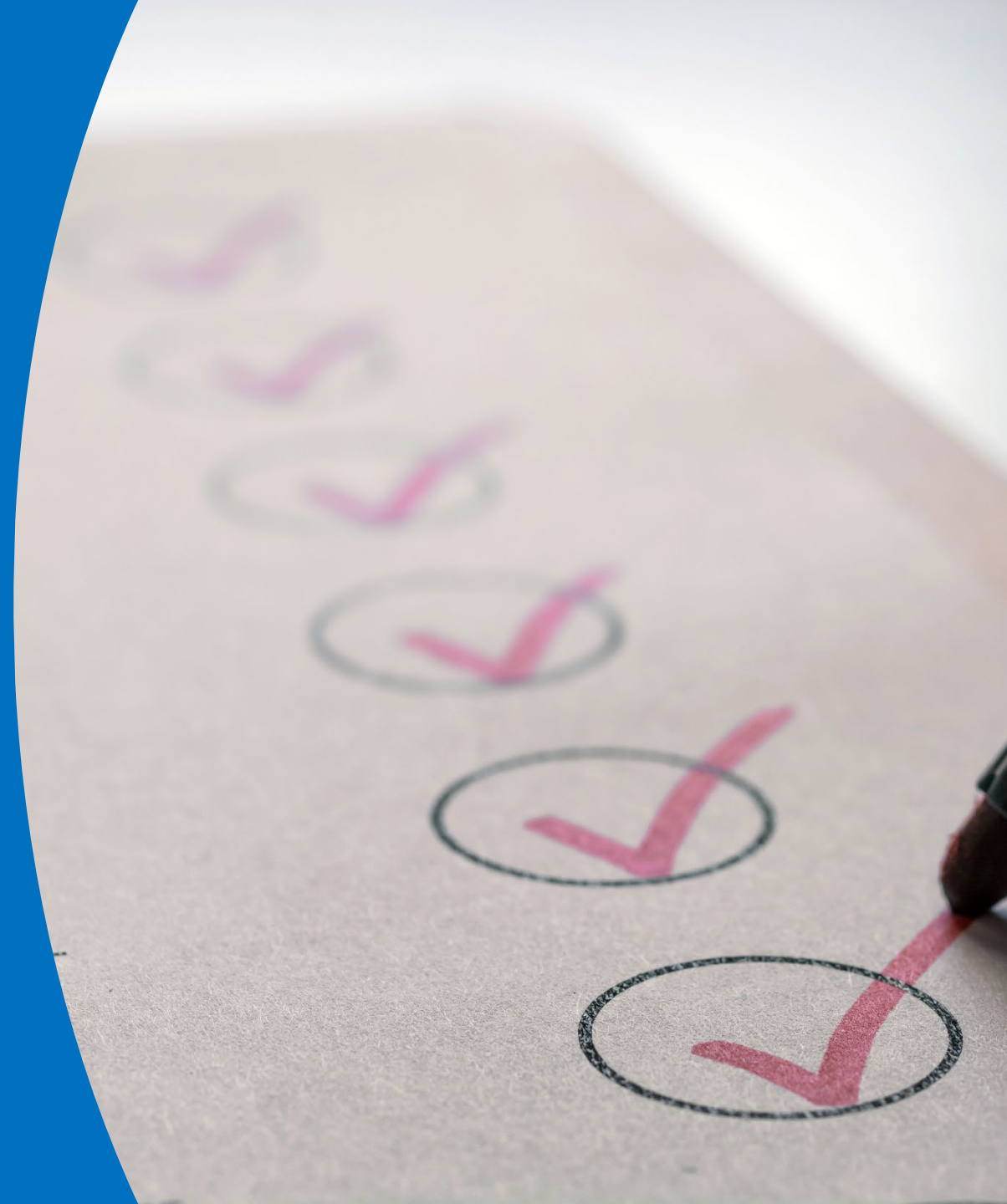
National Flood Insurance Program



Critical Facilities/Building Inventory



Vulnerable Populations



Capability Assessment

Capability Assessment Worksheet - Beauregard Parish		
Local mitigation capabilities are existing authorities, polices and resources that reduce hazard impacts or that could be used to implement hazard mitigation activities. Please complete the tables and questions in the worksheet as completely as possible.		
Planning and Regulatory		
Please indicate which of the following plans and regulatory capabilities your jurisdiction has in place.		
Plans	Yes / No	Comments
Comprehensive / Master Plan	No	
Capital Improvements Plan	Yes	
Economic Development Plan	No	
Local Emergency Operations Plan	Yes	
Continuity of Operations Plan	Yes	
Transportation Plan	No	
Stormwater Management Plan	No	
Community Wildfire Protection Plan	No	
Other plans (redevelopment, recovery, coastal zone management)	No	
Building Code, Permitting and Inspections	Yes / No	Comments
Building Code	Yes	
Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS) Score		
Fire Department ISO/PIAL rating	Yes	
Site plan review requirements	No	
Land Use Planning and Ordinances	Yes / No	Comments
Zoning Ordinance	No	
Subdivision Ordinance	Yes	
Floodplain Ordinance	Yes	
Natural Hazard Specific Ordinance (stormwater, steep slope, wildfire)	No	
Flood Insurance Rate Maps	Yes	
Acquisition of land for open space and public recreation uses	Yes	
Other	n/a	

Place answers in Yes/No column, add comments if necessary (i.e. what year the plan was updated last)



National Flood Insurance Program

National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) - Beauregard Parish		
Insurance Summary		
How many NFIP policies are in the community? What is the total premium and coverage?		Comments
How many claims have been paid in the community? What is the total amount of paid claims? How many of the claims were for substantial damage?		
How many structures are exposed to flood risk with in the community?		
Describe any areas of flood risk with limited NFIP policy coverage.		
Staff Resources		
Is the Community FPA or NFIP Coordinator certified?		Comments
Is flood plain management an auxiliary function?		
Provide an explanation of NFIP administration services (e.g., permit review, GIS, education or outreach, inspections, engineering capability)		
What are the barriers to running an effective NFIP program in the community, if any?		
Compliance History		
Is the community in good standing with the NFIP?		Comments
Are there any outstanding compliance issues(i.e., current violations)?		
When was the most recent Community Assistance Visit (CAV) or Community Assistance Contact(CAC)?		
Is a CAV or CAC scheduled or needed? If so when?		
Regulation		
When did the community enter the NFIP?		Comments
When did the community adopt the latest FIRM?		
Are the FIRMs digital or paper?		
Do floodplain development regulations meet or exceed FEMA or State minimum requirements? If so, in what ways?		
Community Rating System (CRS)		
Does the community participate in CRS?		Comments
What is the community's CRS Class Ranking?		
Does the plan include CRS planning requirements?		

- Involve local/parish floodplain managers for this information



Building Inventory

Beauregard Parish Owned Building Inventory

Name of Building	Purpose of Building	Address	City	Latitude	Longitude	Assessed Value	Date Built	Construction Type
Beauregard Parish Clerk of Court	Civil Government	201 W 1st St	DeRidder	30.84626485	-93.2875686			
Beauregard Parish Police Jury	Civil Government	201 W 2nd St	DeRidder	30.845514	-93.28760523			
Dry Creek Baptist Camp	Education	8237 Highway 113	Dry Creek	30.67240892	-93.04414718			
Beauregard Alternative Program	Education	506 Martin Luther King Dr	DeRidder	30.84070224	-93.27259521			
DeRidder Elementary	Education	909 High School Dr	DeRidder	30.85719212	-93.29639655			
DeRidder High	Education	723 Oneal St	DeRidder	30.85707736	-93.30718185			
DeRidder Junior High	Education	415 N Frusha Dr	DeRidder	30.85215695	-93.30275371			
East Beauregard Elementary and High School	Education	5364 Highway 113	Dry Creek	30.74466059	-93.02705966			
K.R. Hanchey Elementary	Education	611 N Frusha Dr	DeRidder	30.8548292	-93.30237134			
Merryville High School	Education	7061 LA-110	Merryville	30.74686893	-93.53724969			
Pine Wood Elementary	Education	815 Mel Branch Memorial Dr	DeRidder	30.85581954	-93.29412476			
Singer High School	Education	152 Highway 110 East	Singer	30.65393286	-93.41099221			
South Beauregard Elementary School	Education	12380 Highway 171	Longville	30.56618394	-93.23409053			
South Beauregard High School	Education	151 Longville Church Road	Longville	30.56960783	-93.23550987			
South Beauregard Upper Elementary	Education	12378 US-171	Longville	30.5695714	-93.23413344			
Oretta Fire Station	Fire & SAR	139 Clayton Parker Rd	Singer	30.52670006	-93.43671607			
Singer Fire Station and Office	Fire & SAR	9088 Highway 27	Singer	30.65576564	-93.41264346			



Vulnerable Populations

Vulnerable Populations Worksheet - Beauregard Parish					
All Hospitals (Private or Public)					
Name	Street	City	Zip Code	Latitude	Longitude
South Beauregard Health Center	12186 Highway 171	Longville	70634		
Nursing Homes (Private or Public)					
Name	Street	City	Zip Code	Latitude	Longitude
Mobile Home Parks					
Name	Street	City	Zip Code	Latitude	Longitude
Burnett Trailer Park	Kmatt Drive	Dequincy	70634		
Camp Edgewood	3419 Camp Edgewood Road	Dequincy	70634		
Juanita Mobile Home Park	100 Cloud Loop	Singer	70634		
Evergreen Mobile Home Park	7643 Highway 171	Longville	70634		
Longville Lake Trailer Park	711 South Highway 110	Longville	70634		
Longville RV Park and Campground	Longville Lake	Longville	70634		



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.
 - Assessment of natural disaster-related risks and vulnerabilities
 - A comprehensive list of parish and jurisdiction owned properties
 - A hazard mitigation project strategy for Beauregard Parish and its communities



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

https://lsu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_71wTsRxOdewMWHQ



SDMI Hazard Mitigation Website

- Repository for materials used during the plan update process
- <https://hmplans.sdmi.lsu.edu/>

The screenshot shows the main navigation and introductory content of the website. At the top, it features the LSU Stephenson Disaster Management Institute logo and a 'SDMI HOME' button. The 'HAZARD MITIGATION' header includes links for 'Intro', 'Events', 'FEMA Resources', and 'Parish Plans'. A 'Sponsored by' section displays the Louisiana State Seal. The main heading is 'Why We Have Hazard Mitigation Plans', followed by a paragraph explaining the federal requirements and the purpose of the plans. Below this is a 'CHOOSE A VIEW' section with 'MAP OF PARISHES' and 'LIST OF PARISHES' options. A map of Louisiana is shown with a legend for the 'Development Process'.

Step 1: Plan Development	Step 2: Plan Review	Step 3: Plan Adoption	Step 4: Completed
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This screenshot displays the detailed page for Beauregard Parish. It includes a 'PLAN DUE DATE: MAY 3 2026' indicator. A 'DEVELOPMENT STATUS' progress bar shows the stages: PLAN DEVELOPMENT, PLAN REVIEW, PLAN ADOPTION, and COMPLETED. Below the progress bar, 'PARTICIPATING JURISDICTIONS' are listed: Beauregard Parish, Unincorporated areas, City of De Ridder, and Town of Merryville. A calendar event for 'MAY 20 BEAUREGARD PARISH KICKOFF MEETING' is shown. The 'PREVIOUS PLANS' section lists documents from 2021 and 2016, each with a 'DOWNLOAD' button. At the bottom, there is a 'Survey' section with an 'Access Survey' button.



Next Steps

- Identify Neighboring Community
 - Calcasieu Parish was used in previous plan
- Worksheet Due Dates
- Dates for Next Meetings
 - *Current plan expires May 3, 2026*
 - Mitigation Action Workshop (optional)
 - Risk Assessment Review
 - Public Meeting
- Draft Plan to FEMA
 - 2-3 weeks following the public meeting
- Adoptions
 - AFTER the FEMA Review



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