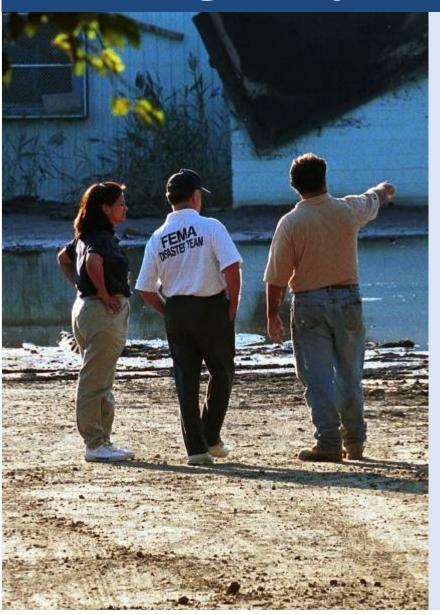
# Land Use Planning Matters: Planning for Disaster Resilient Communities

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### Training Purpose and Objectives



- Develop an understanding the four phases of Emergency Management
- Learn ways to develop plans for your community or incorporate EM into other plans and documents
- Know where to find tools and resources

### Agenda

- Part I: Hazard <u>Mitigation</u> Planning
- Part II: Emergency <u>Preparedness</u> and <u>Response</u>
   Planning
- Part III: Disaster <u>Recovery</u> Planning
- Part IV: The Importance of Public Involvement in All Phases
- Part V: Disaster Resiliency

### **Four Phases of Emergency** Management (EM)

- Mitigation
- Preparedness
- Response
- Recovery



http://www.countyofdane.com/emergency/mitigation\_plan.aspx

### **Types of EM Plans**

- Hazard Mitigation Plans
- Business Continuity Plans
- Evacuation Plans
- Long Term Recovery Plans
- Emergency Operations Plans
- Vulnerable Population Plans







### Hazard Mitigation Planning

- The Stafford Act requires that each state have a FEMA approved HMP to qualify for various types of assistance.
- The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000
   amended the Stafford Act and requires
   all state and local governments to
   develop a HMP in order to receive pre and post-disaster federal mitigation
   funds.



 PEMA recently completed an update of the Pennsylvania State HMP

 Profiled 16 natural hazards and 10 human-made and technological hazards

www.pemahmp.com

#### **Natural Hazards in 2013 PA HMP**

HAZARD NAME	HAZARD NAME
Coastal Erosion	Landslide
Drought	Lightning Strike
Earthquake	Pandemic
Extreme Temperature	Radon Exposure
Flood, Flash Flood, Ice Jam	Subsidence, Sinkhole
Hailstorm	Tornado, Wind Storm
Hurricane, Tropical Storm, Nor'easter	Wildfire
Invasive Species	Winter Storm

### Human-Made and Technological Hazards in 2013 PA HMP

#### **HAZARD NAME**

Civil Disturbance

Dam Failure

**Environmental Hazard** 

Levee Failure

Mass Food and Animal Feed Contamination

**Nuclear Incident** 

**Terrorism** 

Transportation Accident

Urban Fire and Explosion

**Utility Interruption** 



#### Presidential Declarations In Pennsylvania

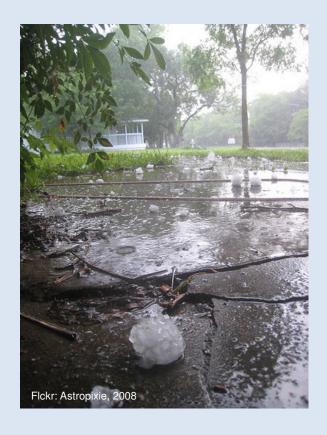
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### **Gubernatorial Declarations In Pennsylvania**

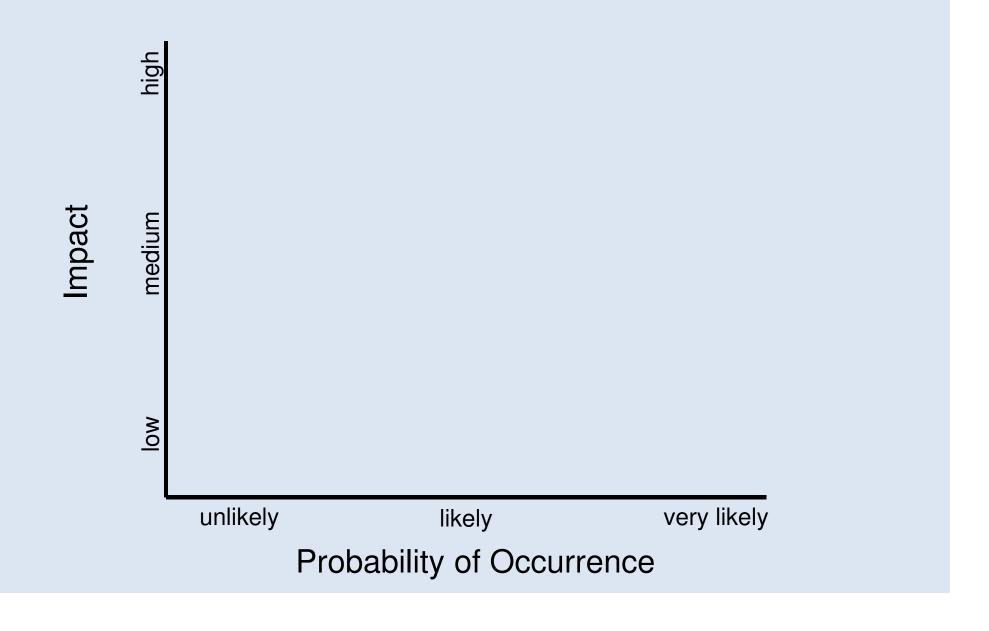
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### **Exercise: Hazard Identification**

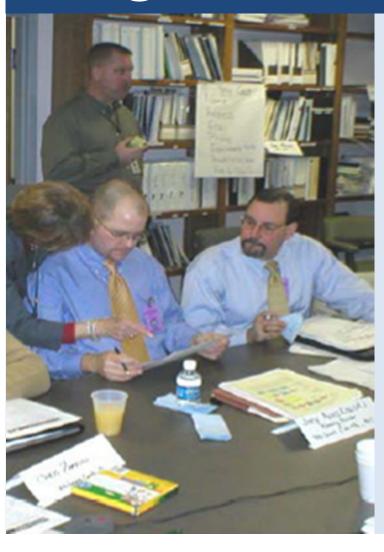
 Place dots on hazards that you believe are most prevalent and/or most important in your community.



### **Exercise: Hazard Identification**



# A Planner's Role in Hazard Mitigation



- ✓ Developing a FEMAapproved HMP
- ✓ Integrating hazard mitigation into existing plans and documents
- ✓ Coordination with the Local Emergency Management Personnel

## Developing a Hazard Mitigation Plan



Local Mitigation Planning Handbook

March 2013

 FEMA-developed tool for local governments to use in developing or updating a local hazard mitigation plan



# Developing a Hazard Mitigation Plan

#### Standard Operating Guide



October, 2010

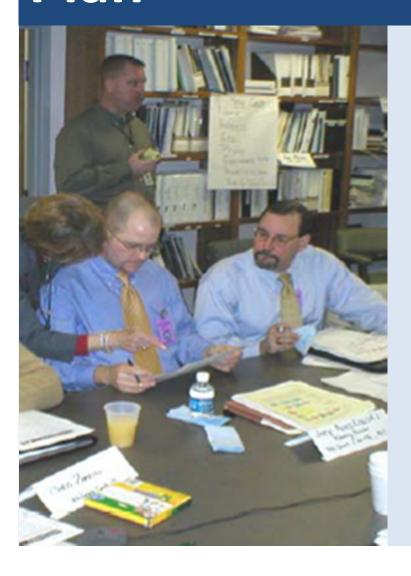
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# Pennsylvania's All-Hazard Mitigation Planning Standard Operating Guide (SOG)

Documents standard
 operating procedures for
 hazard mitigation planning
 in PA by capturing FEMA
 requirements, clarifying
 and combining existing
 guidance

# Developing a Hazard Mitigation Plan



#### **Plan Outline**

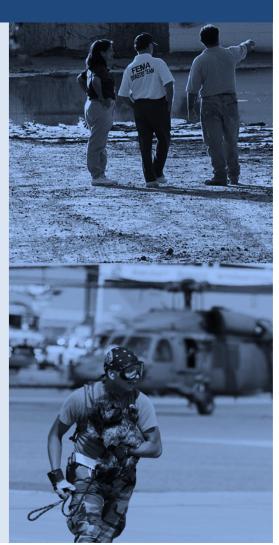
- 1. Introduction
- 2. Community Profile
- 3. Planning Process
- 4. Risk Assessment
- 5. Capability Assessment
- 6. Mitigation Strategy
- 7. Plan Maintenance
- 8. Plan Adoption
- 9. Appendices



- Establish a local steering committee or planning team to:
  - Lead or assist in holding public meetings
  - Gather input on local hazards and mitigation measures
  - Review the final plan
  - Assist with implementation of the plan
- Document the public involvement process as part of the plan

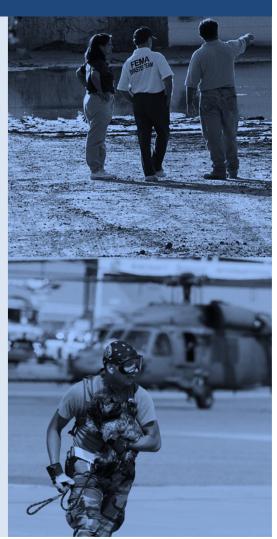
# Step 2: Hazard Identification and Risk Analysis

- Hazard identification must address all hazards in area
- Hazard Identification/Risk
   Analysis combines hazard
   history with the possibility of
   a hazard striking the area

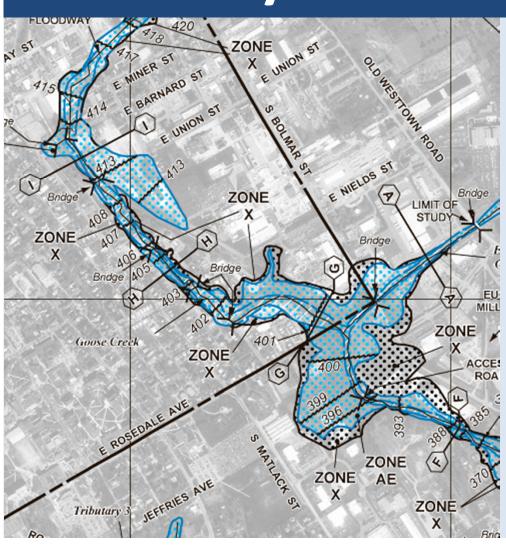


# Step 2: Hazard Identification and Risk Analysis

- Use of variety of sources to research and gather hazard information:
  - Historical records, reputable online sources, existing local and state plans
  - Geographic Information
     Systems (GIS) to compare
     hazards to vulnerable facilities



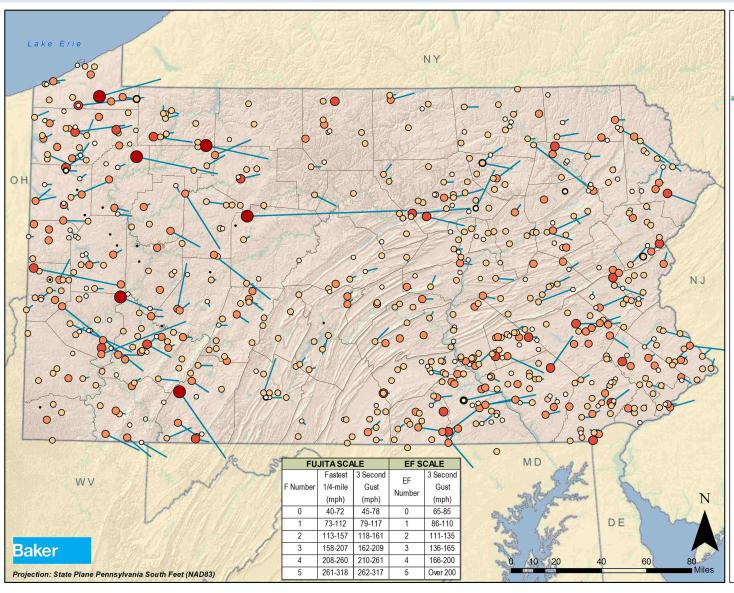
# Step 2: Hazard Identification and Risk Analysis



- Flood Insurance Rate Maps for 1% annual flood
- Hazard Vulnerability
   Analysis (HVA) for additional risk analysis
- HAZUS software
- Past Disasters



- Identify structures and populations most likely to be impacted by all hazards
- Prioritize structures/facilities for mitigation measures
- Overlay hazard history and probable occurrence to identify areas most vulnerable to hazards



Pennsylvania 2013 Hazard Mitigation Plan



Pennsylvania Tornado History (1950 - 2012)

#### LEGEND

#### Fujita Scale

- Unknown Magnitude
- 0
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Historic Tracks



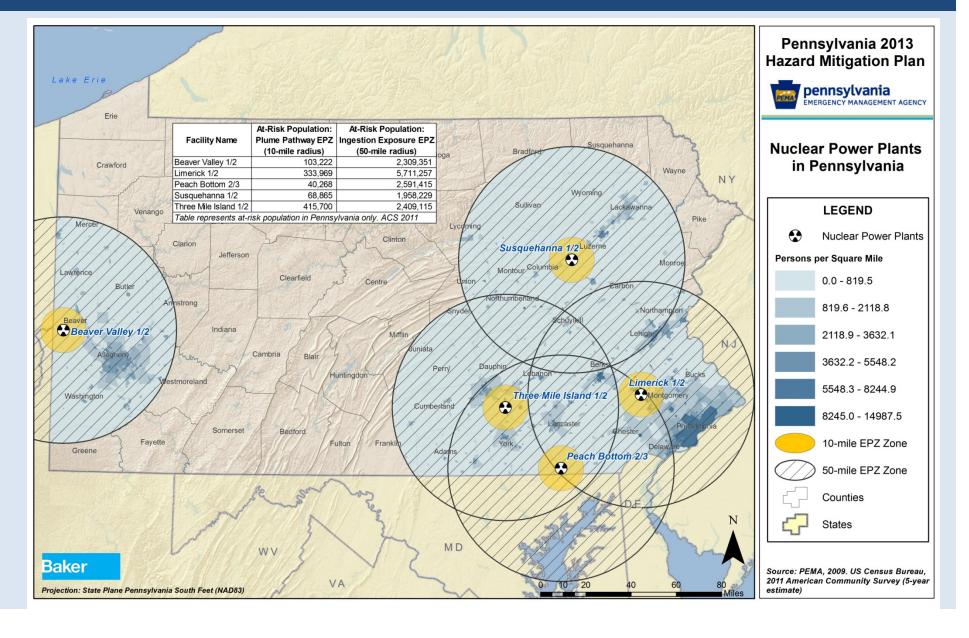
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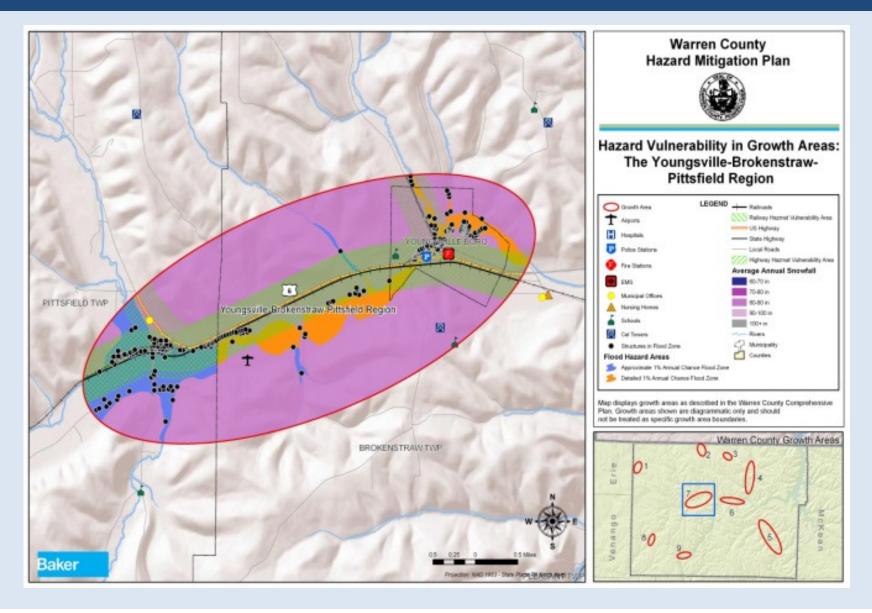


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Map illustrates tornado touchdowns and tracks or events with recorded locations. Events occuring prior to 2007 are reported in the EF Scale while those prior to 2007 are reported as F Scale.

Source: NOAA 2012 and 2013





### **Example: Delaware County structure and critical facility vulnerability summary for flood hazards**

MUNICIPALITY	TOTAL PARCELS	TOTAL PARCELS IN SFHA	TOTAL ASSESSED PARCEL VALUE IN SFHA	TOTAL CRITICAL FACILITIES	TOTAL CRITICAL FACILITIES IN SFHA	ESTIMATED 2000 POPULATION IN SFHA
Aldan Borough	1,699	32	\$3,967,367	7	0	268
Aston Township	6,405	161	\$38,423,320	19	1	440
Bethel Township	3,377	75	\$14,625,447	4	0	322
Brookhaven Borough	2,681	68	\$12,665,678	8	0	0
Chadds Ford Township	1,714	118	\$36,669,632	4	0	11
Chester City	13,964	469	\$164,968,878	21	0	830
Chester Heights	1,046	38	\$8,151,784	7	1	29
Chester Township	1,659	143	\$24,533,413	5	0	0
Clifton Heights Borough	2,547	39	\$10,311,940	8	0	99

### Step 4: Capability Assessment

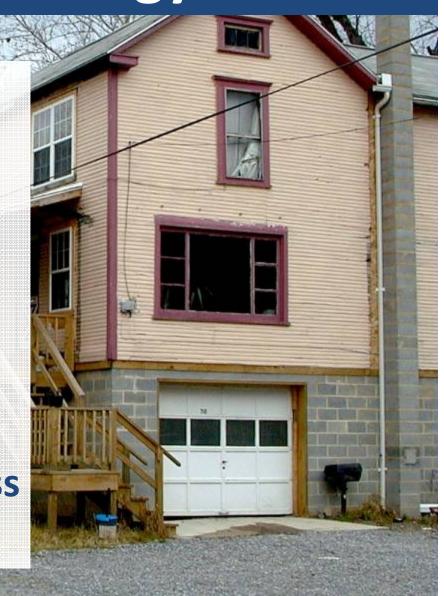
- What plans, policies, regulations, and programs does your community have?
- What tools are available to you?
- Include the local plans, policies, regulations, and programs that may already address hazards and community resiliency
- Review of community capabilities, authorities, and other resources available to accomplish mitigation



- Work with communities to develop goals and objectives and mitigation actions
- Mitigation actions include a variety of choices to match community needs, some structural and some nonstructural

#### **Types of Mitigation Actions**

- 1. Local Plans and Regulations
- 2. Structure and Infrastructure Projects
- 3. Natural Systems Protection
- 4. Education and Awareness Programs





- Local Plans and Regulations:
  - Targeted planning (local plans, zoning, regs)
  - Revision of building codes
  - Stormwater and floodplain regulations



- Structure and Infrastructure Projects:
  - Elevation of flood-prone structures
  - Floodproofing measures
  - Relocation, Acquisition,
     Demolition
  - Floodwalls, retaining walls, detention and retention structures, culverts, dams/levees, and safe rooms



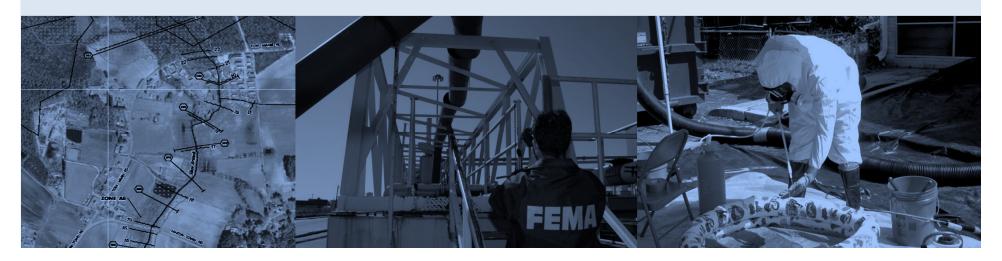
- Natural System Protection Actions:
  - Minimize damage and losses and preserve or restore the functions of natural systems
  - Examples include sediment and erosion control, stream corridor restoration, forest management, conservation easements, and wetland restoration and preservation



- Education and Awareness Actions:
  - Outreach projects
  - Library materials dissemination
  - The creation of hazard information centers
  - School age / adult education programs

### Step 6: Plan Maintenance

- How will the plan and the mitigation actions stemming from it be implemented and monitored?
- How will it be linked with existing plans?
- How will continued and sustained public input and involvement be sought?
- The plan should provide a schedule for evaluation and updating every five years.



# Step 7: Plan Approval and Adoption

- Hazard Mitigation Plans are reviewed by states and approved by FEMA
- FEMA provides "approvals pending adoption" that are the notice to proceed for jurisdictions to adopt their plan



#### **University Hazard Mitigation Planning**

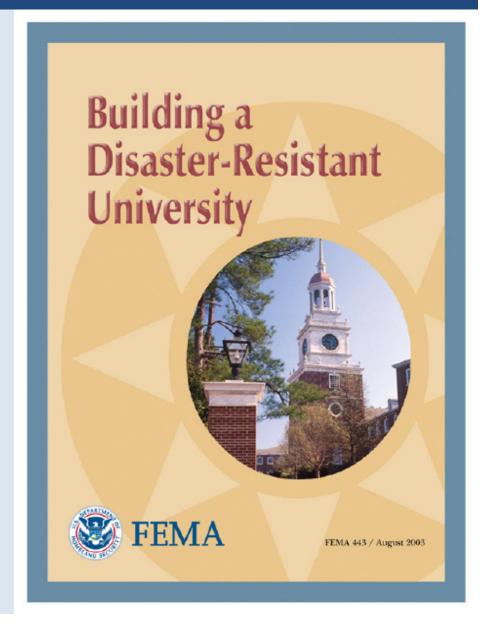
 Universities can develop their own plan or participate in a county hazard mitigation plan

 Universities role in mitigation impacts both university and community as a whole



#### **University Hazard Mitigation Planning**

- In Pennsylvania,
   University Hazard
   Mitigation Plans follow
   the SOG
- FEMA's Disaster-Resistant University Guidance provides additional ideas
  - Describes experiences of six universities/ colleges



#### **Opportunities for University HMPs**

- Focused audience for outreach
- Smaller community
   allows for more in
   depth analysis, for
   example HAZUS Level 3
- Students and professors may be engaged for unique project within the plan



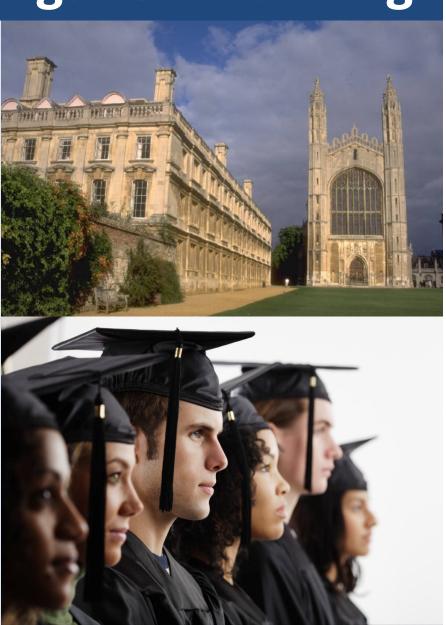
#### **Opportunities for University HMPs**

- Improved safety of campus helps community and vice versa
  - Sheltering on campus
  - Use of campus buses for evacuation
  - Coordination with community addresses university unmet needs
  - Leverage multiple funding streams for mitigation project



#### **University Hazard Mitigation Planning**

- Implementing the Plan:
  - Should aligned with campus strategic or master plan
  - May involve change in operations and adjustments to culture
  - Engage municipal, county and other stakeholders throughout process



### **University Hazard Mitigation Planning**

- Partnerships between communities and universities:
  - Share expertise and tools (e.g. GIS)
  - Data (demographic, economic, etc.)
  - Collaboration on larger plan or program, for example HUD
     Sustainability Grant



## Integrating HM - Challenges



- Stand alone documents
- Often developed without the active participation of local planning staff

#### **Integrating HM - Challenges**

- Planners often don't consider hazard mitigation planning as falling within their purview
- Mitigation strategies often focus on infrastructure protection and emergency services projects with less emphasis on nonstructural measures available through local land use planning or policy

### **Integrating HM - Benefits**



- Incorporating HM into existing local plans, policies, codes, and programs can:
  - Help guide development and redevelopment patterns
  - Reduce risk to hazards
  - Avoid or minimize risk through safe development practices



#### **Comprehensive Plan**

- Map hazards and update existing conditions
- Incorporate HM goals and strategies throughout plan
- Or create a separate HM chapter
- Target growth for low hazard areas



- York County, PA has integrated HM planning into its Comprehensive Plan and also into the Act 167 Stormwater Plan
- Uses a Flowchart Tool contained within the Integrated Water Resources Plan component of the County Comp Plan



#### **Zoning Ordinances**

- Create hazard overlay zones
- Limit development in high hazard areas
- Restrict uses in high hazard areas to less susceptible uses such as open space
- Stand-alone SW management and floodplain ordinances

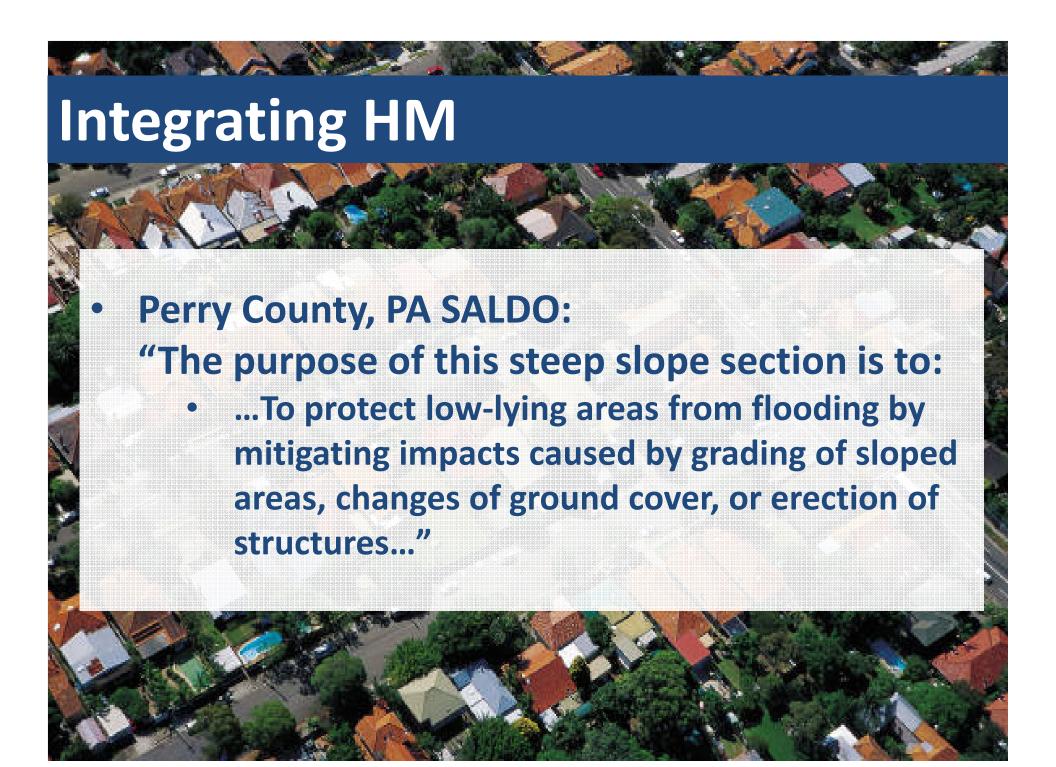


- Enact higher regulatory standards for floodplains:
  - Prohibit or require permitting for all development in SFHA
  - Elevation of new and substantially improved residential structures above the BFE
  - Location or construction of all public utilities and facilities to minimize or eliminate flood damage
  - Anchoring



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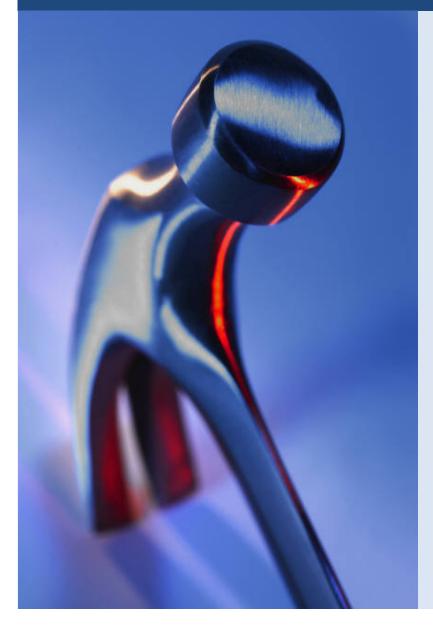
- Establish design guidelines that incorporate mitigation measures
- Create incentives for creative designs that avoid or minimize hazards
- E.g., design standards in floodplains, steep slopes, natural features protection etc.





#### **Site Planning & Permitting**

- Encourage development applicants to submit plans that identify the extent of known hazards, and mitigate their potential effects
- Establish permit review and approval criteria that addresses hazards
- E.g., building near the floodplain, wildfire prone, etc.



#### **Building Codes**

- Compare current code to identified hazards to see if it is sufficient enough to protect the public
- Considerations: structures built to withstand storms and wind



Capital Improvement Plans and Transportation Improvement Plans

- Provide funding to mitigation projects
- Plan major

   infrastructure
   improvements in areas
   suitable for safe growth

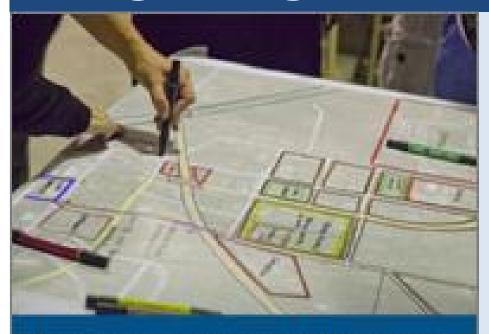
#### **Functional Plans**

- Transportation Plans: Plan transportation infrastructure with evacuation routes in mind
- Economic Development Plans: Guide private investment to areas that are safe and more resilient to known hazards
- Open Space Plans: Target high hazard areas for acquisition



#### **Special Programs**

- Use TDR to steer growth away from high-hazard areas
- Use Tax Increment Financing to encourage growth in less hazard prone areas



Integrating Hazard Mitigation Into Local Planning

Case Studies and Tools for Community Officials

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Includes
 recommended steps
 and tools to assist
 with local integration
 efforts, along with
 ideas for overcoming
 possible impediments

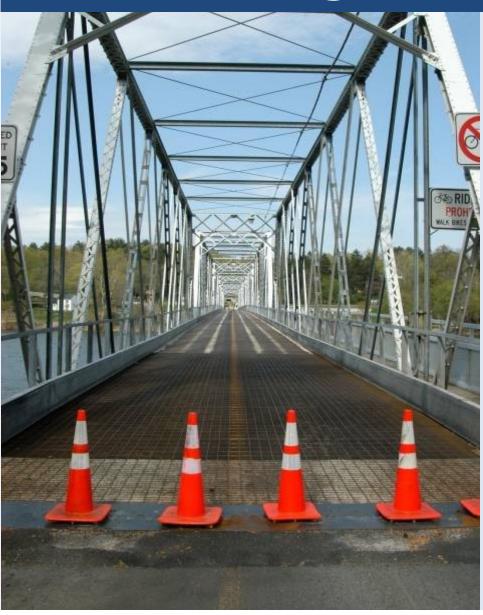




#### So How Do We Do It?

- 1. Review existing local HMP for hazards, risks, and mitigation strategies
- 2. What plans, policies, and tools already in place?
- 3. Identify gaps and overlaps with your current plans

✓ = Area of Existing Overlap  ★ = Gap Between Mitigation Plan and Planning Framework				PLANNING FRAMEWORK							
				Comprehensive/ General Plan Elements			Zoning Ordinances and Development Regulations			Capital Improvement and Infrastructure Programs	
				Hazards	Land Use	Environment	Zoning	Subdivision	Critical Areas	CIP	TIP
F	Risk Assessment  Mitigation Goals and Objectives			<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	✓					
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	Mitigation Actions	Local Plans and Regulations	Hazard Area Avoidance	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
			Parks and Open Space Planning		<b>✓</b>	✓	✓			*	
			Stormwater Regulations	*							
NO.		Education and Awareness Programs	Hazard and Risk Awareness	<b>✓</b>							
IGAT			Mitigation Best Practices	<b>✓</b>						<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
HAZARD MITIGATION			Monitoring and Reporting	✓							
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		Structure and Infrastructure Projects	Levees							✓	
			Structural Retrofits							✓	*
			Acquisition							✓	
			Stormwater Structures							✓	



#### **FEMA Assistance**

- Individual Assistance
  - Aid to individuals and households
- Public Assistance
  - Aid to public and tribal (and certain private non-profit) entities for certain emergency services and the repair or replacement of disaster damaged public facilities



#### **FEMA Assistance**

- Hazard Mitigation
   Assistance
  - Funding for measures
     designed to reduce future
     losses to public and
     private property.
  - Some declarations will provide only individual assistance or only public assistance.



# **FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Programs:**

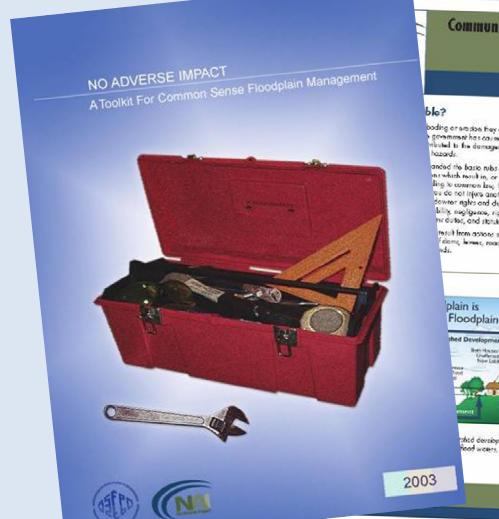
- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
- Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program
- Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program





- Local and Other Sources:
  - Municipal EMCs
  - County EMA
  - Local Fire/Police
  - Red Cross
  - Chambers of Commerce

#### **ASFPM**



#### Community Liability and Property Rights:

As Mayor or County Commissioner, should you warry about your liability in the event of a flood?

May, 2003

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result from actions such as dame, levener, roads, and bridges

#### Floodplain



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#### What is Common Law Liability?

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Communities that cause or permit an increase in Ibad creation hazards may be liable for more try damages to injured individuals increased flood and emission because the caused by construction projects indentation, or permitted, by a local

landowners damaged by flooding are also suing go veramented antities that tail to adequately administer or unbase floodplain regulations. Floodplain regulations are record permit resulted in damage to other lands.

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## Natural Hazard Mitigation Assoc.

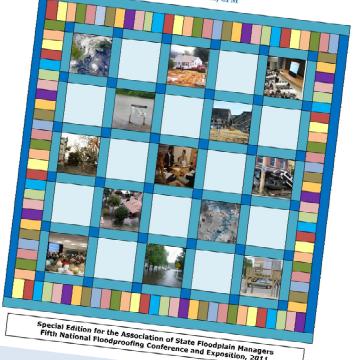




Planning and Building Livable, Safe & Sustainable

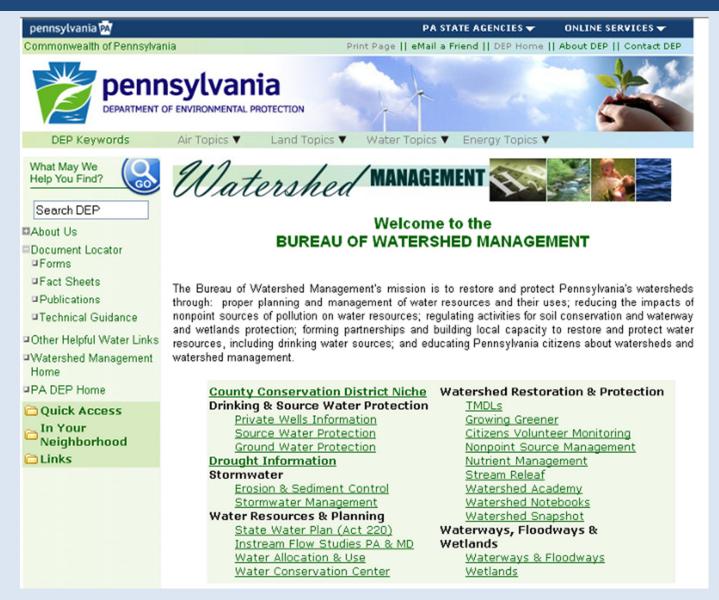
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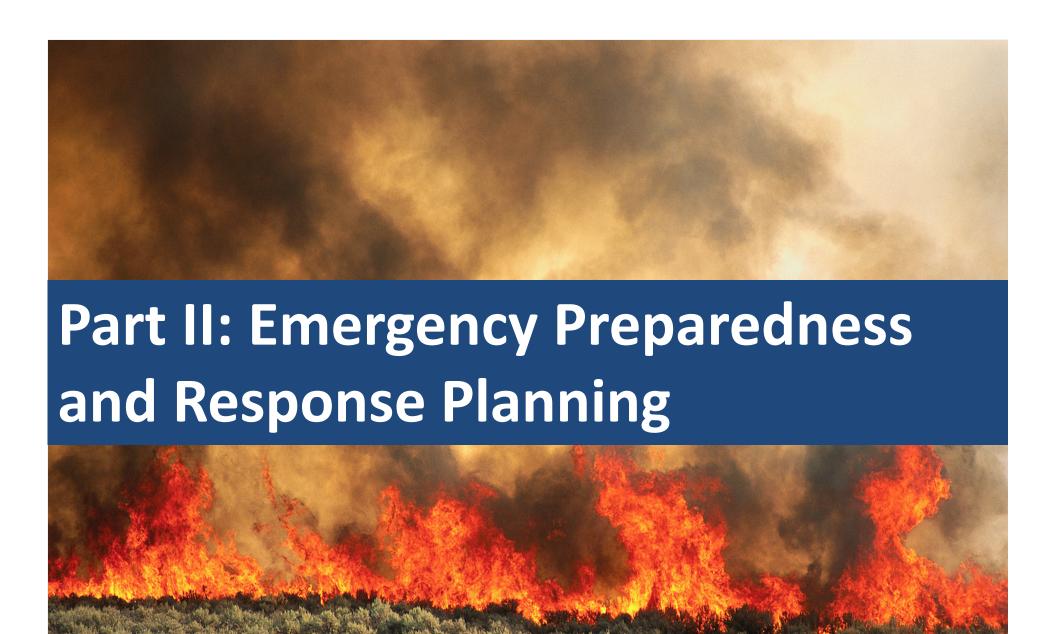
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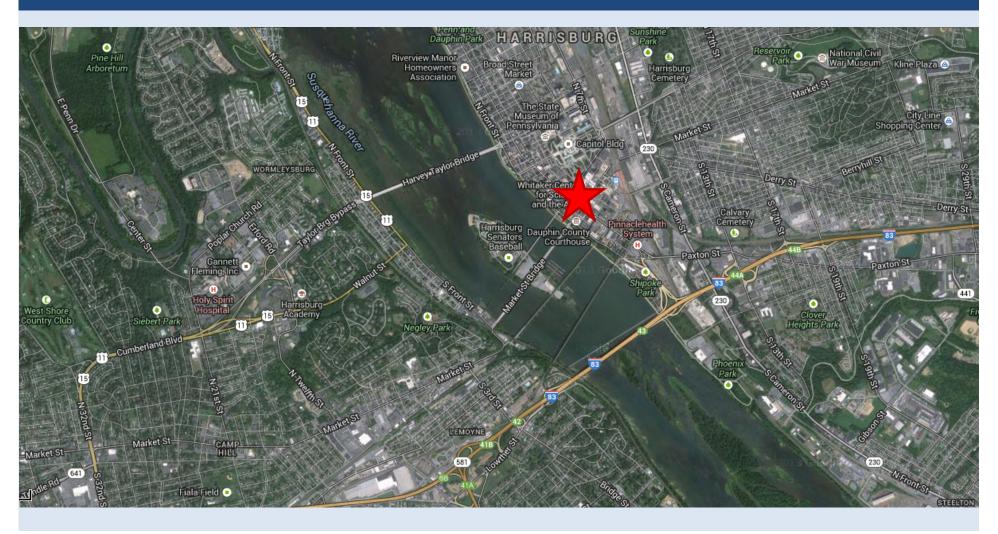
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## **Other State Agencies**





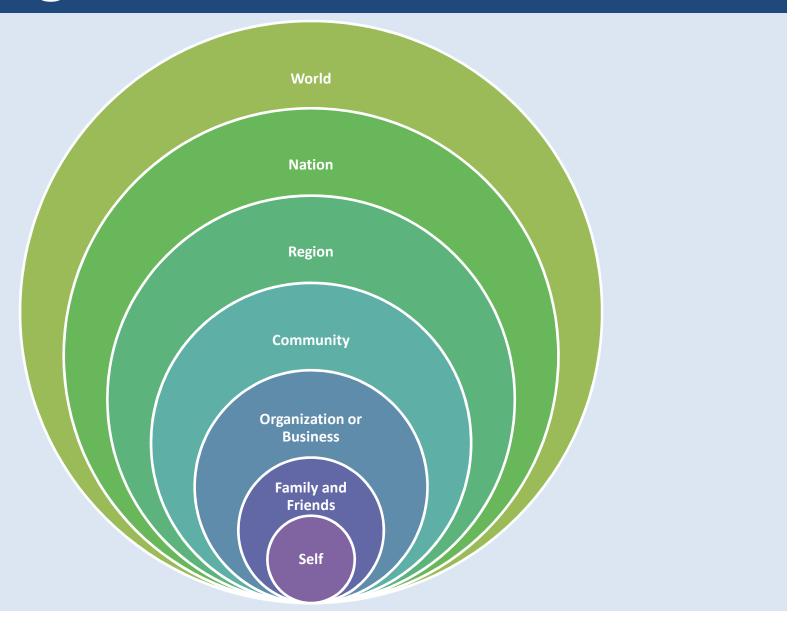
# What would you do? A quick exercise



## What would you do?

- Call family, what if phones are not working?
- Do you have family impacted by evacuation?
- What is your daycare plan?
- Do you have family nearby where you may stay?
- Do you have pets at home?
- Do you have medicine that you need to take?
   Is it with you?

## **Planning to Care for Others**



## **Family Preparedness Training**

 Helping colleagues to plan for disaster improves their safety during and recovery from disaster

 Increases their ability to work during a disaster

- Encourage colleagues to:
  - -Make a kit
  - Make a plan
  - -Be informed

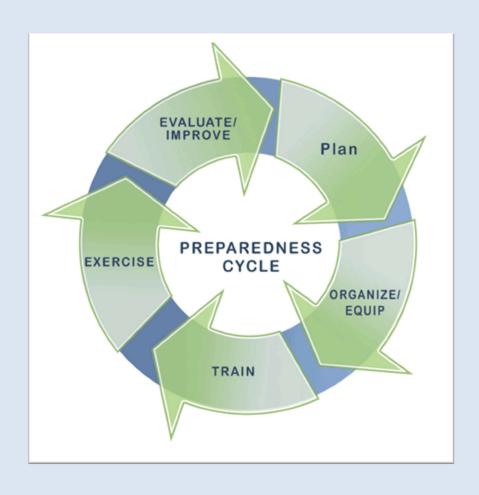


# Where does Planning fit into Crisis?

- Depends on community
- Preparedness: planning, training and outreach
- Prevention: analysis to support recognizing and preventing hazards and threats
- Response: information and GIS analysis to support safe response

### **Preparedness**

- Planning for preparedness may address:
  - Your department
  - Your building
  - Your community
  - Your neighboring communities



# **Preparedness Components**



- Conduct threat and vulnerability identification, assessment, and resolution
- Meet and share plan with stakeholders and partners
- Coordinate public information

### **Preparedness Components**

- Identify internal emergency management team
- Develop preparedness plans and related procedures
- Train staff on prevention, preparedness, and response for workplace
- Train staff on family disaster planning

### **Preparedness Components**

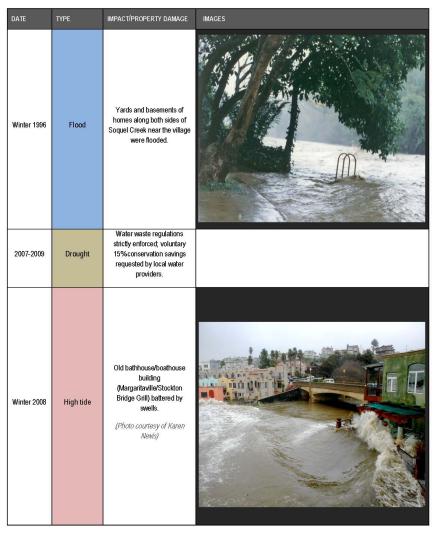
- Exercise plan and participate in community drills
- Homeland
   Security Exercise
   and Evaluation
   Program (HSEEP)
   resources
   available on-line



### **Preparedness Resources**

- Historical events
- Incident and breach reports
- Crime Reports
- Employee reports
- Facilities plans and blueprints
- Security testing and inspections

Timeline of Natural Hazard Events Impacting the City of Capitola



## **Preparedness Training Resources**









http://www.youtube.com/user/SLOARC

#### Prevention



- Risk Reduction
  - Vulnerabilityreduction bestpractices
- Security Awareness
- Safety Data Acquisition/ Analysis

#### Prevention

- Identify risk reduction strategies typical for an agency, specific resource or building:
  - Personnel, facilities, vehicles, and information
- Plan for implementing appropriate actions
- Encourage Security Awareness
- Use data to identify areas for security and safety improvements

# What is Emergency Response and Management?



 Actions taken to protect life, property and natural resources during a disaster event

# Who is Responsible?



- Local Partners
- Regional Partners
- National Response Framework

# **Local Partners**



- Municipal Emergency
   Management
- County Emergency Management
- Police
- Fire
- Emergency Medical
   Services
- Hospitals

#### **Local Partners**

- Municipal and County Commissioners and Council Members
- Public Works
- Public Health
- Local Media



#### **Local Partners**

- Citizen Emergency Response Teams
- American Red Cross
- Salvation Army
- Voluntary
   Organizations Active
   in Disaster (VOAD)
- Utility Providers
- Animal Sheltering Organizations

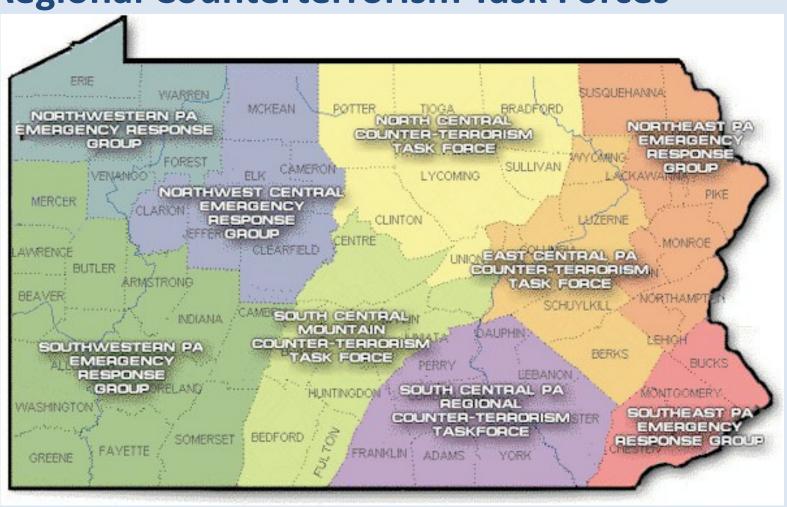


#### **Local Plans**

- Emergency Operations Plans (EOP)
  - Evacuation Annexes
  - Marcellus Gas Well Site Emergency Response Plans (ERP)
  - Hazardous Materials Transportation Incident ERP
- Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
- Vulnerable Population Plans
- Organizational Disaster Response Plans
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

## **Regional Partners**

Regional Counterterrorism Task Forces



### **Regional Partners**

- Regional Counterterrorism Task Forces
  - 9 Regional Task Forces
  - Formed in 1998 in response to the growing threat of Weapons of Mass Destruction
  - Provides "All Hazard" planning, mitigation, response and recovery services to the Counties in their Region
  - Department of Homeland Security funding recipients

#### **State Partners**

- PEMA
- PennDOT
- PA State Police
- PA Department of Health
- PA Army National Guard
- Emergency
   Preparedness Liaison
   Officers (EPLOs) at
   Many State Agencies



## Regional and State Planning

- Radiological Emergency Response Plans
  - Required by Nuclear Regulatory Commission and regularly exercised
- Commonwealth EOP
- Point of Dispensing (POD) Plans
- Threat Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)
- State Homeland Security Strategy

# **National Planning**

- Presidential Policy Directive 8: National Preparedness (PPD-8)
- National Preparedness Goal:
  - A secure and resilient Nation with the capabilities required across the whole community to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk.

# **National Planning Themes**



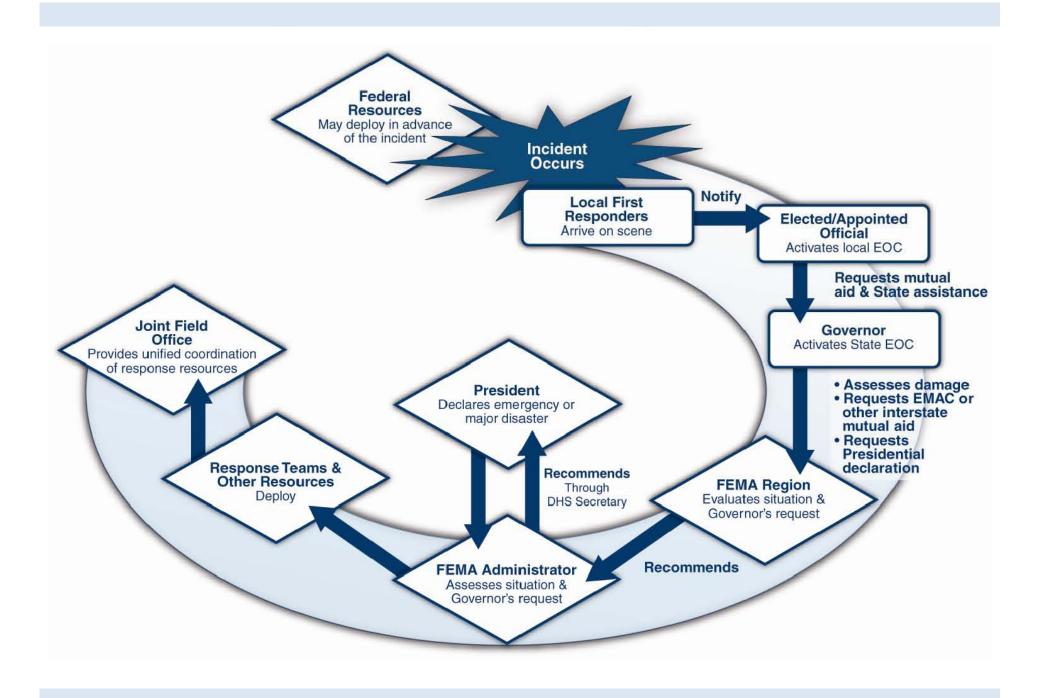
## National Response Framework



#### National Response Framework

Second Edition May 2013 Guides unified national response to disasters and emergencies - from the smallest incident to the largest catastrophe





### **Emergency Support Functions**

- ESF #1 Transportation
- ESF #2 Communications
- ESF #3 Public Works and Engineering
- ESF #4 Firefighting
- ESF #5 Information and Planning
- ESF #6 Mass Care, Emergency Assistance,
   Temporary Housing, and Human Services
- ESF #7 Logistics

### **Emergency Support Functions**

- ESF #8 Public Health and Medical Services
- ESF #9 Search and Rescue
- ESF #10 Oil and Hazardous Materials Response
- ESF #11 Agriculture and Natural Resources
- ESF #12 Energy
- ESF #13 Public Safety and Security
- ESF #14 Superseded by National Disaster Recovery Framework
- ESF #15 External Affairs

# ESF #1 - Transportation

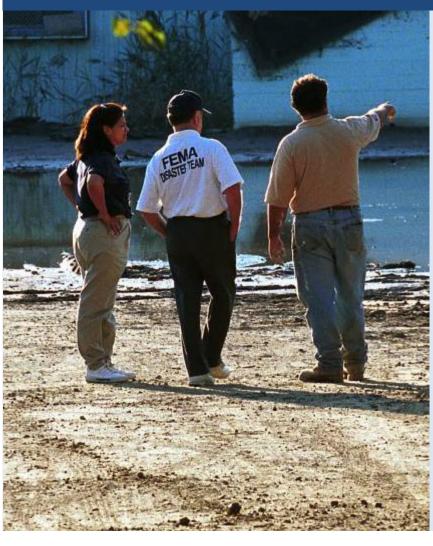
- Assists in the management of transportation systems and infrastructure during domestic threats or in response to incidents.
- Participates in prevention, preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation activities
- Carries out the DOT's statutory
  responsibilities, including regulation of
  transportation, management of the Nation's
  airspace, and ensuring the safety and security
  of the national transportation system.

# ESF #1 - Transportation

- ESF Coordinator: Dept of Transportation (DOT)
- Primary Agency: Dept of Transportation (DOT)
- Support Agencies:
  - Department of Agriculture
  - Department of Commerce
  - Department of Defense
  - Department of Energy
  - Department of Homeland Security

- Department of the Interior
- Department of Justice
- Department of State
- General ServicesAdministration
- U.S. Postal Service

# A Planner's Role in Emergency Management and Response



- Information, information,
- GIS Information
- Coordination, coordination
- Outreach

# Response Planning Considerations

- Wide range of needs to consider when planning for emergencies, including:
  - Poverty
  - Physical and mental disabilities/illnesses
  - Inability to speak or read English
  - Parents with young children
  - Distrust of authority, frustration, anger
  - Pets

### Response Resources

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# Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment Guide

Comprehensive Preparedness Guide (CPG) 201

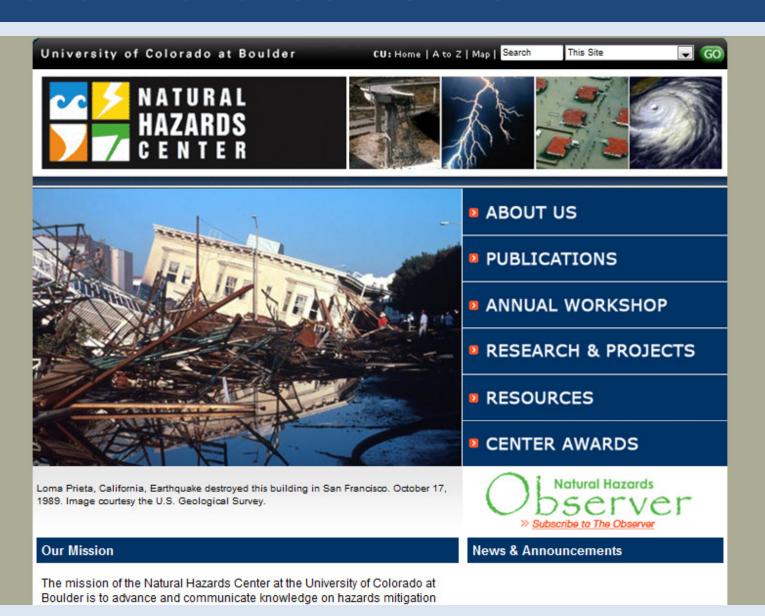
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#### FEMA:

- HSEEP: https://hseep.dhs.gov
- EmergencyManagement Institute(EMI):<a href="http://training.fema.g">http://training.fema.g</a>ov/EMI/

#### **Natural Hazards Center**



# Pennsylvania Planning Case Study



- Hurricane Sandy, 2012
- Tropical Storm Lee,2011
- Hurricane Irene, 2011
- Severe Storms and Flooding, 2011
- Severe Winter Storms and Snowstorms, 2010





#### **PA Silver Jackets**



#### SILVER JACKETS Many Agencies One Solution

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#### Welcome

Effective and continuous collaboration between state and federal agencies is critical to successfully reducing the risk of flooding and other natural disasters in the United States and enhancing response and recovery efforts when such events do occur. No single agency has all the answers, but often multiple programs can be leveraged to provide a cohesive solution

The Silver Jackets is an innovative program that provides an opportunity to consistently bring together multiple state, federal, and sometimes tribal and local agencies to learn from one another and apply their knowledge to reduce risk. State agencies, including those of the State Hazard Mitigation Officer and State NFIP Coordinator. come together with the Federal family of agencies, including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), in a common forum to address the state's flood risk management priorities. Silver Jacket programs are developed at the state level. There are currently 33 active state leams; the ultimate goal is to offer an interagency team in every state.

The program's primary goals are to:

- · Create or supplement a mechanism to collaboratively identify, prioritize, and address risk management issues and implement solutions
- Increase and improve risk communication through a unified interagency effort
- · Leverage information and resources and provide access to such national programs as FEMA's Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (Risk MAP) program and USACE's Levee Inventory and Assessment
- · Provide focused, coordinated hazard mitigation assistance in implementing high-priority actions such as those identified by state mitigation plans
- · Identify gaps among agency programs and/or barriers to implementation, such as conflicting agency policies or authorities, and provide recommendations for addressing these issues.

Why the name Silver Jackets? Traditionally, different agencies wear different colored jackets when responding to emergencies. For example, FEMA personnel wear blue and USACE personnel wear red. The name Silver Jackets is used to underscore the common mission of the diverse agencies involved.

#### Silver Jackets Newsletter

- January 2013 (pdf, 1.02 MB)
- October 2012 (pdf, 1.35 MB)
- July 2012 (pdf, 1.68 MB) April 2012 (pdf, 1.68 MB)
- January 2012 (pdf, 2.09 MB)
- October 2011 (pdf, 2.37 MB) July 2011 (pdf, 1.36 MB)
- April 2011 (pdf, 1.51 MB)
- January 2011 (pdf, 2.60 MB) September 2010 (pdf, 1.89 MB)
- March 2010 (pdf, 1.6 MB)

#### 2012 Workshop 2011 Workshop

For advice from successful state teams visit the Develop a Team page. Virginia Silver Jackets Brochure (pdf, 1.27

Brochure Template (pub, 12.9 MB)

Webinars Supporting Flood Risk Management

- Community-based Hydrologic Warning Systems — March 2013
- Natural Hazard Mitigation Association's Resilient Neighbors Network — February 2013



Flooding at Dayton along the Miami River

#### Newsworthy...The Flood of 1913 - Remembered 100 Years Later

The Silver Jackets teams of Ohio and Indiana, with support from the Midwest Regional Climate Center. have launched a Silver Jackets

Flood of 1913 website. The web site is packed with historical information, as well as current-day tips on flood preparedness, mitigation, and more.

Public outcry after the landmark Flood of 1913 event helped drive the creation of many of the

#### **PA Silver Jackets**

#### Pennsylvania Flood Risk Management Resources - After The Flood

This page provides information on what residents can do in the immediate aftermath of a flood. Click the + sign to see more information.

#### Immediate/Short Term

Collapse All Expand All

- □ Is my house habitable?
  - Hazards to Watch Out for When Reentering Your Home
  - Health Checklist for Repairing Your Flooded Home
  - · Removing Mold
  - How to Check for Damages
- My home is damaged who do I tell, what can I do before the insurance agent arrives, and how do I rebuild?

- Is my drinking water safe?
- I have/do not have insurance what do I do?
- Where can I get basic necessities?
- Where can I recover vital records?

#### **Long Term**

Collapse All Expand All

- What can I do to lessen my loss next time?
- What is mitigation?
- What funding is available for mitigation?
- What do I need a permit for?
- What do I do about my crop damage?



#### Resources

Silver Jackets Home

Before the Flood/General Info

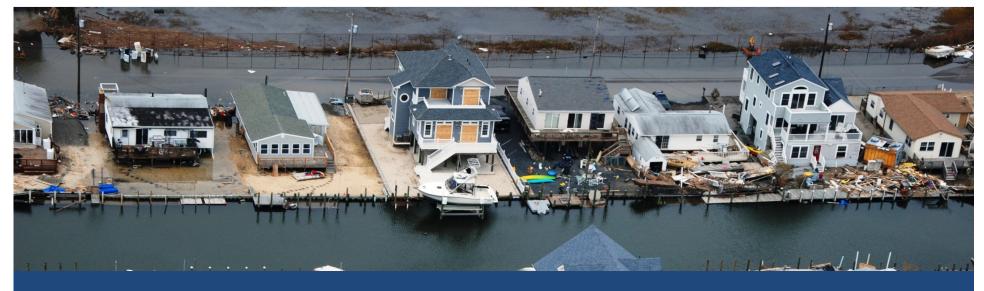
During The Flood

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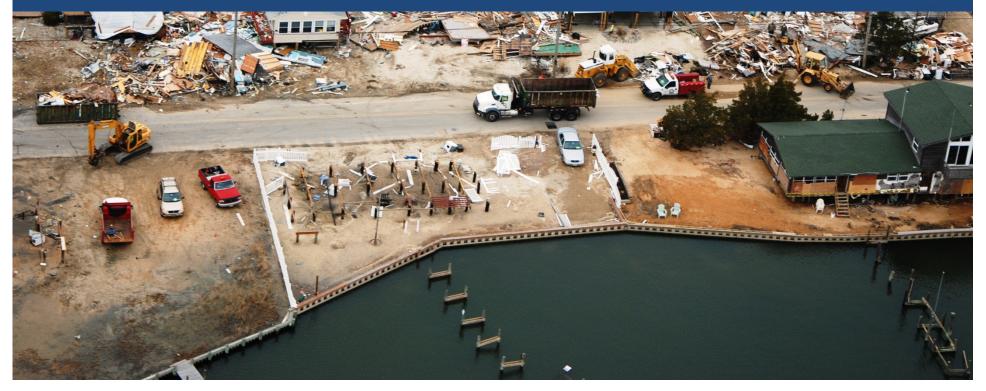




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## Part III: Disaster Recovery Planning



#### What is Disaster Recovery?



- Planning to assist community in accessing resources needed recover from disaster
- Recovery should not automatically be based on what existed before event

#### **Recovery Components**

- Follow continuity of operations procedures
- Debrief staff and consider post-disaster counseling
- Replace damaged assets in community
- Secure available reimbursement
- Complete after action report and update emergency management plan with lessons



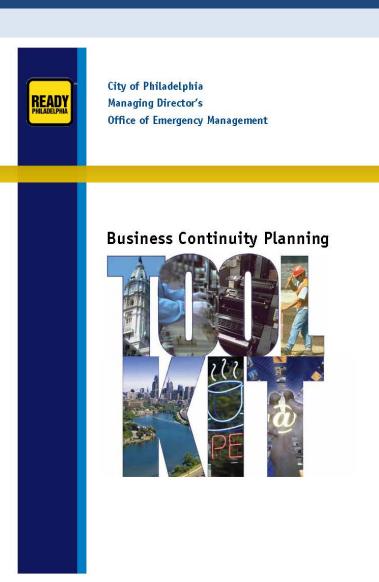


#### **Types of Recovery Plans**

- Continuity of Operations
- Long Term Recovery Plans
- After Action Reports

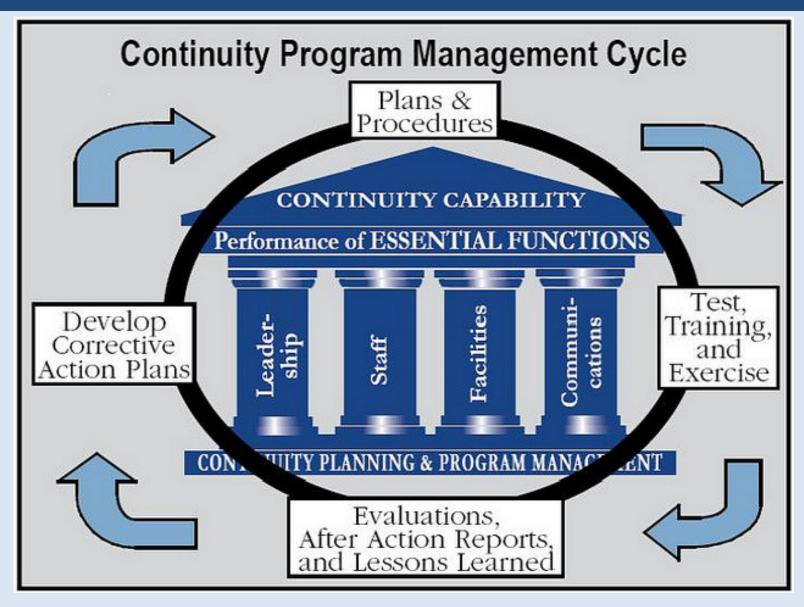


#### **Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP)**



- Identifying potential threats
- Providing training, testing, and exercises information for staff
- Establishing a call list
- Setting internal and external communications procedures

#### **COOP Planning**



#### **Long Term Recovery Plans**



- Assess the social and economic consequences
- Conduct comprehensive market disruption and loss analysis
- Develop a forward looking market-based comprehensive plan for the affected community





- Identify programs and agencies to support implementation
- Identify gaps in resources
- Plan for follow-through and implementation

#### **After Action Reports**

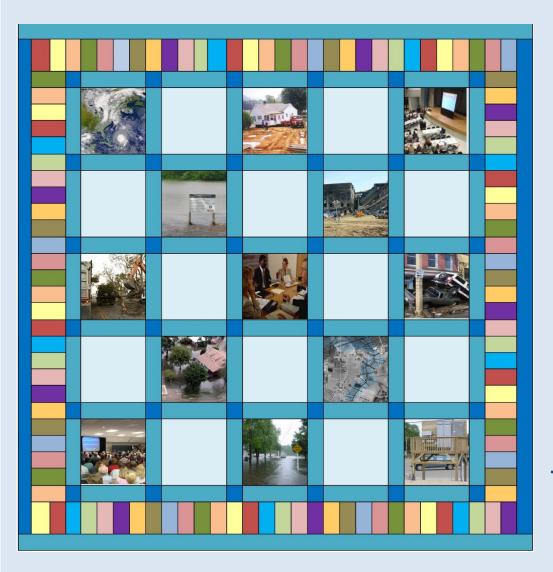
- Analyze disaster event preparation and response
- Identify strengths to be maintained and built upon
- Identify potential areas for further improvement
- Support development of corrective actions for future events

#### What works?

- Co-mentoring
- Networking
- Leveraging funding sources
- Training to jumpstart new programs
- Engaging a variety of stakeholders



#### Patchwork Quilt Approach



This concept is based on the American idea that scraps of "this and that" can be turned into a useful, warm, and very valuable object, by one or more persons, who possesses a vision of the final product.

- Ed Thomas

#### **Recovery Resources**



#### National Disaster Recovery Framework

Strengthening Disaster Recovery for the Nation

September 2011

#### • FEMA:

- HSEEP:https://www.llis.dhs.gov/hseep
- COOP:<a href="http://www.fema.gov/continuity-operations">http://www.fema.gov/continuity-operations</a>
- Funding: FEMA,
   CDBG-DR via HUD





#### Part IV: Public Involvement



#### **Outreach Tools**



- Build on existing
   Facebook and Twitter
   networks
- Go to the people
  - Science centers
  - Sustainability forums
  - Web surveying
- Get people moving

## **Google Websites**

#### Ocean County HMP

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New Jersey Office of Emergency Management Home Page

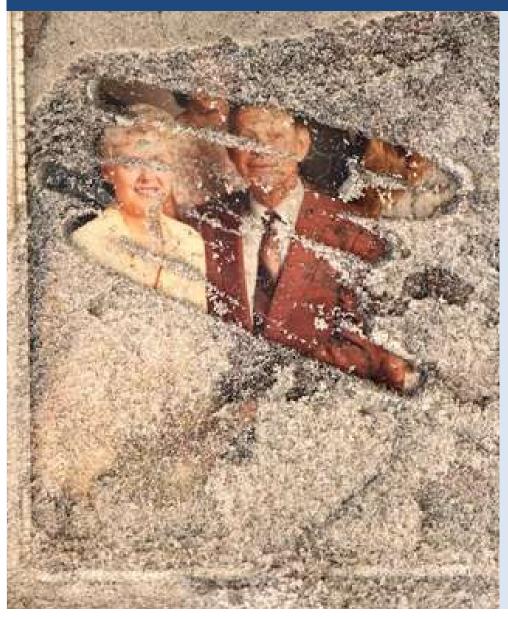
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Home Page Welcome to the Ocean County 2013 Hazard Mitigation Plan Project Website



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## Resiliency



 Ability to adapt to changing conditions and prepare for, withstand, and rapidly recover from disruption

## Mitigation



 Hazard mitigation is any sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property from natural and man-made hazards and their effects.

#### **Benefits**





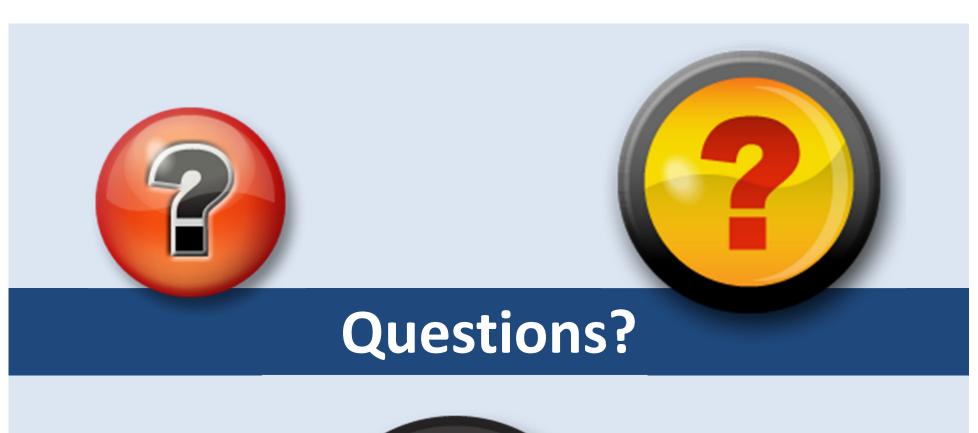






# Advocacy











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