

# Hazard Mitigation Plan Kickoff Meeting

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February 26, 2025 – 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Marysville Civic Center

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## Notes

### Participating Departments/Agencies

Center for Independence	City of Marysville - Parks, Culture, and Recreation
City of Everett	City of Marysville - Police
City of Marysville - CD	City of Marysville - Public Works
City of Marysville - Communications	Community Transit
City of Marysville - Executive	Marysville Fire District
City of Marysville - Finance	National Weather Service
City of Marysville - GIS	Snohomish County DEM
City of Marysville - IS	

### Meeting Summary

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#### Hazard Mitigation Plan Presentation

Marysville Emergency Management presented the process for developing the City of Marysville’s Hazard Mitigation Plan. Attendees provided input and raised questions for discussion throughout the presentation. Slides are attached below.

Summary of discussion items and feedback:

- Washington State Emergency Management Division will be involved and can share hazard information (ex. tsunamis).
- Attention should be given to people in coastal flooding areas. Mitigation strategies will start looking locally to address what we can and identify if other strategies at other levels are needed.
- Snohomish County DEM shared the plan for their Hazard Mitigation Plan update. They have around 36 jurisdictions that will be an annex into their plan. They plan to focus on the base plan in the first year and then work on annexes. Marysville and the County are coordinating where appropriate.

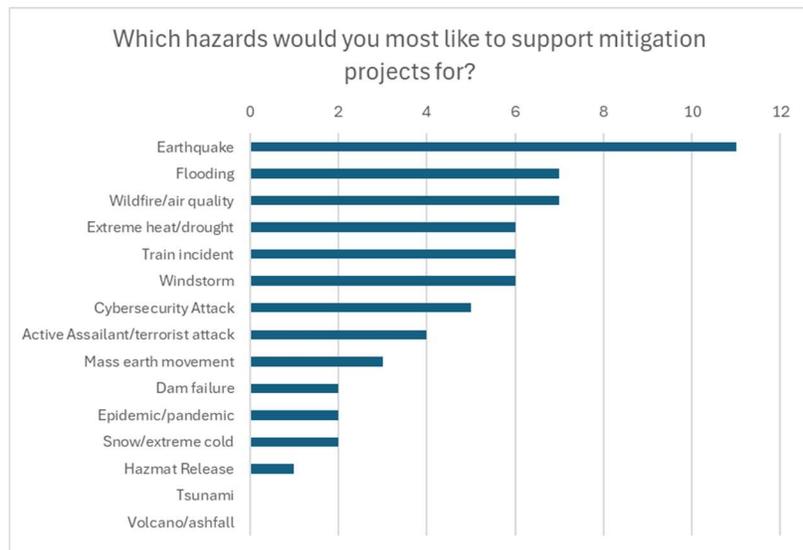
- Suggested stakeholders and community leaders to include in the planning process: Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS), Marysville Ready Businesses, Limited-English Proficiency groups, healthcare agencies, and schools.
- Risk assessment will include mapping, modeling, historical data, and narrative analysis.  
Suggested information to include in the assessments:
  - Hazard-specific vulnerable populations
  - Difference between daytime and nighttime risk
  - Cascading events
- The Hazard Mitigation Plan Workgroup was asked to support the plan by:
  - Sharing communications regarding the plan with their networks (survey, meeting invitations, etc.)
  - Attending meetings
  - Reviewing materials
  - Providing comments
  - Continuing to support mitigation after the plan is completed

### Risk and Capability Identification Activity

Attendees identified assets at risk and potential capabilities to address the risks for each hazard. Draft maps and informational material were available to help provide context. This information will be used to inform the plan’s risk assessment and mitigation strategies.

### Mitigation Project Poll

A poll was taken that asked which 5 hazards attendees would most like to support mitigation projects for. This informal poll will be used when considering hazard assessment and mitigation strategies. Results from the 13 responses shown here.





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## Agenda

- Housekeeping
- Introductions
- Hazard Mitigation Plan Overview
- Activity: Identifying Risks and Capabilities
- Next Steps and Closing Comments

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## Housekeeping

- Facility overview
- Emergency procedures
- Notes posted on webpage
- Questions and comments encouraged

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## Introductions

- Name
- Position
- Agency

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## Hazard Mitigation Definition

- Any sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to life and property from hazards
  - Reducing impacts
  - Increasing community resilience
  - Strengthening community lifelines

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## Hazard Mitigation Examples

- Port Townsend – Seismic retrofit and preserving identity
- Multiple locations – Open space in floodplains
- Maui – Wildfire mitigation using native plants



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## What is a Hazard Mitigation Plan

- Provides a framework for hazard mitigation
- Identifies risks and vulnerabilities in our area
- Includes long-term strategies for protecting people and property
- **Benefits:**
  - Fosters and strengthens partnerships
  - Promote more disaster-resilient and sustainable communities
  - Reduce the costs associated with disaster response and recovery by promoting mitigation activities



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## Requirement References

- **FEMA Local Mitigation Planning Policy Guide**
  - Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 amending the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act)
  - Sandy Recovery Improvement Act (SRIA) of 2013
  - National Flood Insurance Act of 1968
  - Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act of 2016
- State and FEMA Review to ensure it meets planning requirements
- Eligible for certain mitigation grants



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## FEMA Local Mitigation Planning Policy

- Guidance for what FEMA requires in local mitigation plans
- **2022 Updated Policy Guidance**
  - Defines who needs to be included in planning process
  - Requires addressing effects of climate change and other future conditions in the risk assessment
  - Recognizes importance of building codes and land use/development ordinances to improve mitigation capabilities
  - Includes requirements for High Hazard Potential Dams



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## 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan

- Annex to Snohomish County's Plan expiring January 12, 2026
- **Project Highlights:**
  - Completion of Stormwater Treatment Facility
  - Upgrade to State Ave. Quilceda Creek Crossing
  - Ongoing replacement of storm and sewer pipes
  - Lake Goodwin standpipe replacement




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## Integrating other Planning Efforts

- Coordinated approach
- Cohesive projects
- Incorporate other plans into review of capabilities
  - Comprehensive Plan
  - Capitol Improvement Program
  - Climate Vulnerability Assessment
  - Risk/Resiliency Studies



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## Timeline

<p><b>January</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin Risk Assessment (data collection and mapping)</li> </ul> <p><b>February</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kick-off meeting with Hazard Mitigation Plan Workgroup</li> </ul> <p><b>March</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Briefing to City Council</li> <li>• Press release and public survey</li> </ul> <p><b>March – August</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review capabilities</li> <li>• Public Meetings (businesses, community partners, general public, etc.)</li> <li>• Develop mitigation strategies</li> </ul>	<p><b>September</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete draft for public review</li> </ul> <p><b>October</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Briefing of final draft to Council at workshop</li> <li>• Submit to State and FEMA for final approval</li> </ul> <p><b>Existing plan expires on January 12, 2026</b></p>
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## Public Engagement and Outreach

- Participating Groups
  - Hazard Mitigation Plan Workgroup
  - Stakeholders and Community Leaders
  - General Public
- Hazard Mitigation Plan Webpage
- Media
- Outreach Materials and Communications
  - Printed materials
  - Email distribution lists



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## Hazard Mitigation Plan Workgroup (HMPW)

- Guides the planning process (shared decision-making)
- Provides input and support to plan development and mitigation strategies
- Responsibilities
  - Attend meetings
  - Provide comments
  - Review materials
  - Support outreach
- Ongoing mitigation support



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## Stakeholders and Community Leaders

- Subject-matter experts to represent different sectors and community groups (ex. businesses, non-profits, utilities)
- Responsibilities
  - Attend meetings and interviews
  - Provide comments
  - Review materials
  - Support outreach
- What focus groups would you like to see?



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## Public Engagement

- Public meetings to share information on the plan and provide an opportunity for comments
- Draft materials will be available for review/comment
- Public Survey to gather information on:
  - Level of preparedness
  - What hazards are a concern
  - Preparedness barriers
  - Types of projects that would be supported
  - Appreciated community qualities



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## Identifying Risks and Capabilities



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## Mitigation Planning Steps

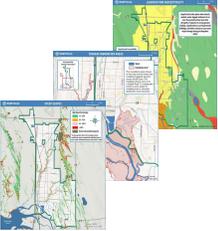
- Conduct a risk assessment
- Review community capabilities
- Develop mitigation strategies
- Plan implementation and maintenance
- Review and adopt the plan



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### Risk Assessment

- Hazard identification
- Historical records
- Hazard mapping and data analysis
- Address socially vulnerable populations
- Scenario-based loss estimates
- Hazard comparison



- What information would you like to know?

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### Assets at Risk

- Assets at risk from hazards that are important to the character and function of a community.
  - People (including underserved and socially vulnerable populations)
  - Structures
  - Community lifelines and other critical facilities
  - Natural, historic, and cultural resources
  - Economy and other activities that have value to the community

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### Capabilities

- Tools available to increase resilience
- Helps to assess our risk and also informs our mitigation strategy
- Four categories:
  - Planning and Regulatory – plans, policies, ordinances, codes
  - Administrative and Technical – personnel and their skills, committees
  - Financial – funding, grants, fees
  - Education and Outreach – awareness campaigns, media presence

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### Poll: Top 5 Hazards

- Which 5 hazards would you most like to support mitigation projects for?
  - Do not need to be ranked

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### Requests of the HMPW

- Ensure someone from your organization/department is on our distribution list
- Share outreach materials and announcements with your networks
- Participate in meetings and review materials to provide input
- Speak up and advocate

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# Thank you



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