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One Does of DMA and Two Doses of CRS: A "Cure" for a Successful Hazard Mitigation Plan

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# Objectives

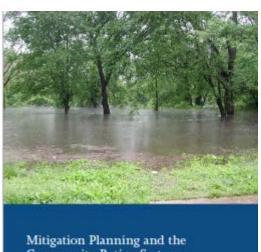


- Multi-Hazard Mitigation Planning & Community Rating System: similarities and differences
- Blending of the processes: one plan can meet both program requirements
  - Increased public participation
  - Stakeholder buy-in
  - More detailed flood hazard analysis
  - Accelerated implementation schedule
- Maximizing credit for your Local Hazard Mitigation Plan in the CRS Program
- Questions



# Comparison:





Mitigation Planning and the Community Rating System Key Topics Bulletin





	Table 2. FEMA Planning							
	Local Mitigation Planning	CRS Floodplain Management Planning						
Objective	Identify local policies and actions that can be implemented to reduce long-term risks and future losses from natural hazards	Produce an overall strategy of programs, projects, and measures that will reduce the adverse impact of the hazard on the community and help meet other community needs						
Authority	The <u>Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and</u> <u>Emergency Assistance Act</u> , as amended by the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000	National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, Section 541						
Requirements	44 CFR §201.6. Local Mitigation Plans	CRS Coordinator's Manual, Activity 510 (Floodplain Management Planning)						
Reference	<u>Local Mitigation Plan Review Guide</u> <u>Local Mitigation Planning Handbook (2013)</u>	CRS Coordinator's Manual, Activity 510 (Floodplain Management Planning)						
Hazards Addressed	All natural hazards that can affect the community	Flooding and flood-related hazards, e.g., dam failure, coastal erosion, etc.						
Incentive	Reduce the threat to people and losses to property caused by natural hazards	Reduce the threat to people and losses to property caused by floods						
Extra Incentive	Prerequisite for FEMA mitigation grants	Reduction in flood insurance premiums						
Approval	Review by the State Hazard Mitigation Officer or the state mitigation planning office with final approval by the FEMA Regional office	Approval by the Insurance Services Office, FEMA's contractor for the CRS						
Updates	Required every 5 years	Required every 5 years						
Requirements Checklist	Plan Review Tool in <u>Local Mitigation Plan Review</u> <u>Guide</u>	510 Floodplain Management Planning Checklist (Appendix 2)						
Funding Support	FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) grants, such as the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program, and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)	Same as for mitigation planning, provided the resulting plan meets the FEMA mitigation planning requirements						
Website	https://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-planning	https://crsresources.org/500-2/						





### Available FMP Credit



Table 510-1. Planning steps for mitigation and for the CRS.							
Multi-hazard Mitigation Planning	CRS	Maximum					
Phase I - Planning process							
§201.6(c)(1)	1. Organize	15					
§201.6(b)(1)	2. Involve the public	120					
§201.6(b)(2) & (3)	3. Coordinate	35					
Phase II - Risk assessment							
§201.6(c)(2)(i)	4. Assess the hazard	35					
§201.6(c)(2)(ii) & (iii)	5. Assess the problem	52					
Phase III - Mitigation strategy							
§201.6(c)(3)(i)	6. Set goals	2					
§201.6(c)(3)(ii)	7. Review possible activities	35					
§201.6(c)(3)(iii)	8. Draft an action plan	60					
Phase IV - Plan maintenance							
§201.6(c)(5)	9. Adopt the plan	2					
§201.6(c)(4)	10. Implement, evaluate, revise	26					
Total		382					

2013 and 2017 CRS Manuals: Average 510 FMP score as of 10/1/18 (all communities credit):

175 points 45% of possible credit

207 points are being left on the table

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### Available FMP Credit



Table 3. Comparison of the Planning Processes							
Mitigation Planning Elements*	Max Points	Average					
	1. Organize to prepare the plan	15	10				
A Diapping Process	2. Involve the public	120	34				
A. Planning Process	3. Coordinate	35	10				
	10. Implement, evaluate, revise	26	5				
B. Hazard Identification and	4. Assess the hazard	35	25				
Risk Assessment	5. Assess the problem	52	29				
	6. Set goals	2	2				
C. Mitigation Strategy	7. Review possible activities	35	20				
	8. Draft an action plan	60	42				
D. Plan Update  10. Implement, evaluate, revise 5-year update		See Element A					
E. Plan Adoption	9. Adopt the plan	2	2				
		382	171				

<sup>\*</sup> The planning elements are per Local Mitigation Plan Review Guide and its Plan Review Tool

31% of total CRS Credit in Activity 510 is in Step 2

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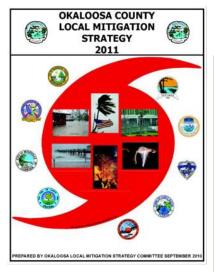
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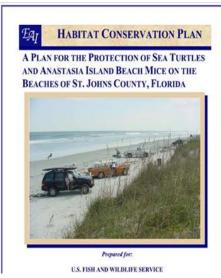


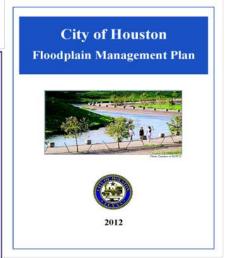
<sup>\*\*</sup> The 10 steps are detailed in Activity 510, Section 512.a, Floodplain Management Planning (FMP) in the CRS Coordinator's Manual

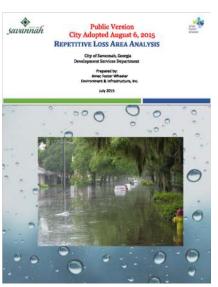
# Qualifying Plans Under Activity 510











FMP Credit – Only one plan will be credited

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# Two Types of CRS Credit



### CRS Scoring for Local Mitigation Plans

- There are two specific types of credits in FMP:
  - <u>Community specific credits</u> plan must provide similar detail for all communities participating in the planning process
  - <u>Plan as a whole credits</u> credit applies to all communities participating in the planning process

Example: Step 4 Assess the Hazard:
a. & b. = Community Specific
c. & d. = Plan as a Whole Credit

4. Assess the hazard. (Max 35)

- a. Plan includes an assessment of the flood hazard (REQUIRED) with:
  - (1) A map of known flood hazards (5)
  - (2) A description of known flood hazard (5)
  - (3) A discussion of past floods (5)
- b. Plan includes assessment of less frequent floods (10)
- c. Plan includes assessment of areas likely to flood (5)
- d. The plan describes other natural hazards (REQUIRED FOR DMA) (5)

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### MHMP Phase I – Planning **Process**

201.6 (c) (1) The plan shall include documentation of the planning process used to develop the plan, including how it was prepared, who was involved in the planning process, and how the public was involved



# CRS Step 1 – Organizing to Prepare the Plan

(a) 4 points, If the office responsible for the community's land use and comprehensive planning is actively involved in the planning process

#### Plan as whole credit

To obtain 4 points there must be at least one planner or someone who is involved in planning activities on the overall committee







### MHMP Phase I – Planning **Process**

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#### Step 7 Categories

- Preventive measures (e.g., codes)
- Property protection (e.g., elevation)
- Natural resource protection
- Emergency services
- Structural flood control projects
- Public Information

Also see Figure 510-4.

### CRS Step 1 – Organize to Prepare the Plan

(b) 9 points if the planning process is conducted through a planning committee composed of staff from those community departments that have implement or have expertise in the activities that will be reviewed in step 7

### Plan as Whole Credit

Plan needs to be clear as to what implementation or expertise each individual has in terms of the six mitigation categories in step 7







Table 3-2 - Staff Canability with Six Mitigation Categories

Community Department	Prevention	Property Protection	Natural Resource Protection	Emergency Services	Structural Flood Control Projects	Public Information	Other
Collier County Planning & Zoning	<b>✓</b>	<b>&gt;</b>	<b>✓</b>		<b>*</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>✓</b>
Collier County Emergency Management	*			*		*	
Collier County Emergency Services	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>		<b>*</b>	
Collier County Planning and Project Management	1	*	1		*	~	<b>✓</b>
Collier County Stormwater Planning	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	<b>*</b>	
Collier County Plan Review and Inspection	<b>*</b>	<b>*</b>			<b>*</b>		
Collier County Communication and Customer Relations						~	
Marco Island Growth Management	·	<b>*</b>	1	·	<b>✓</b>	<b>*</b>	✓
City of Naples Building Department	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>

## One way to show expertise



### MHMP Phase I/CRS Steps 1 & 2





- The CRS Credits two types of committees
  - Step 1 (b) Staff Planning Committee
  - Step 2 (a) **Public Planning Committee**

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Members on the staff planning committee can also be on the public planning committee





- If a community wants credit for participating in a <u>multi-jurisdictional</u> plan (step 1 (b)):
  - The community must send <u>at least two members</u> to the planning committee
  - At least half of the communities representatives must attend all of the planning committee meetings
  - CRS credit for the multi-jurisdictional planning committee will be based on the representation from offices that implement the activities in step 7
  - A county staff member can represent a city staff member provided that person actually works for the city.
  - One person can represent multiple jurisdictions (including consultants); however, that person must have a function within the community represented. The second community representative must be a direct city employee, resident, or elected official



### MHMP Phase I – Planning Process

- 201.6 (b) (1) An open public involvement process is essential to the development of an effective plan. In order to develop a more comprehensive approach to reducing the effects of natural disasters, the planning process shall include:
  - 1) An opportunity for the public to comment on the plan during the drafting stage and prior to plan approval



### CRS Step 2 – Involve the Public

- a) Up to 60 points, if the planning process is conducted through a planning committee that includes members of the public (not attached to local government)
- If the committee includes community staff then onehalf of the members must come from the public for full credit

**Community Specific** 









### Public = "stakeholders"

- Residents
- ✓ Tenants
- ✓ Businesses
- Civic groups
- Developers
- ✓ Academia
- ✓ Non-profit
- ✓ State Agency
- √ Federal Agency,
- ✓ Etc.







Table 2.1 – FMPC Meeting Attendance Record

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Member Name	Affiliation	Meeting Date								
Welliber Wallie	Ailliation	11/29/16	03/15/17	05/17/17	07/25/17	08/17/17				
Sheri Armstrong	Lexington County SW/PW	X	X	X	X	X				
Jim Barker	Lexington County Public Works	X	X	X						
Susan Cutter	HVRI / University of SC	Χ								
Bo Davenport	Lexington Co. Emergency Manager	X*								
Robbie Derrick	Lexington Co. Community Dev.	X	X	X*	X					
Joanne Fineburg	Resident, Coldstream HOA		X	Χ		X				
Mark Fuge	Resident, Pineglen Subdivision	Χ	X		X	Χ				
Melanie Gall	HVRI / University of SC	X								
Guillermo	Central Midlands Council of Gov.				v	V				
Espinosa	Central Midiands Council of Gov.				X	X				
Millie Massey	Resident, Cert Committee	Χ			X					
Chris Stone	Lexington Co. Floodplain Manager	X	X	Χ	X	Χ				

<sup>\*</sup>Did not sign in

Note: Melanie Gall was replaced by Guillermo Espinosa following the first FMPC meeting

The credit is pro-rated for lower levels of public participation



 MHMP Phase I – Planning Process



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### CRS Step 2 – Involve the Public

- b) 15 points, if one or more informational meetings are held in affected area(s) within the <u>first 2 months</u> of the planning process to obtain public input
  - The meeting must be held separately from other types of meetings such as the planning committee meeting or any meeting held by the local governing body
  - Must be properly advertised

Plan as a whole credit

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MHMP Phase I – Planning **Process** 

CRS Step 2 – Involve the Public

15 points, for holding one or more public meetings to obtain input on the recommended "draft" plan

> Simply discussing the plan at public meeting of the local governing body just before it is voted on is not sufficient public input for CRS purposes

- Must be a separate public meeting specifically for this purpose
  - Must be properly advertised

Plan as a whole credit

# Floodplain Mitigation Plan Workshop is October 1



Concerned about flood insurance rates? We hear from the office of Sandra Cuervo, CFM Building & Code Compliance Division Manager of the Town of Cutler Bay's Department of Community Development, that a Floodplain Mitigation Plan Workshop is schoduled for Wednesday October 1 in the Town Hall Council Chambers at 5:00 p.m. Residents are invited to attend.

The town has been working on a flood mitigation plan for some months now with the hopes of reducing the flood insurance rates of residents in Cutler Bay. A committee comprised of town residents and business owners with expertise in real estate, water management, flood insurance, construction and other areas was formed and the committoe members have attended six meetings thus far with AMEC, the town consultant for the project, members of the town staff and town liaison Council Member Mary Ann Mixon.



cuss the proposed Flood Mitigation Plan.

and mitigating flood risk in the town, and coming up with safety measures that will reduce hazards during storm and other disaster caused flooding, there may be savings in insurance costs. The most recent meeting took place on Thursday, September 25.

For those interested in attending the

10720 Caribbean Blvd. Suite 220 in Cutler Bay. For more information, please contact Sandra Cuervo at 305-234-4262 or visit the town's website at < www.cutlerbay-fl.gov>,

And by the way ... Speaking of Town Hall, which is in the Cutler Bay Town Center there at 10720 Caribbean Boulevard, they still have The idea is that by identifying, assessing October I workshop, Town Hall is located at some office space for losse in that big multisto-

you're interested you can find the details at www.cuflerbuytowncenter.com>.

New restaurant... Miami Grill, which is a re-branding of the original Miumi Subs, opened in Cutler Bay the beginning of September with a crowd of folks eager to get their favorite sandwiches, gyros and seasoned fries again. It's located at 118660 South Dixie Highway, on the west side of the street. Call them at 305-251-5816.

Don't miss third The Cutler Ridge Woman's Club is having their Autumn Bunco Party on October 11th at 10:00 a.m., with lunch at noon. This is their charitable fundraiser, with door prizes, an auction table, bake sale, books, a treasure table and more. The cost is \$17. Location is at Cutler Ridge Park, 10100 SW 200 Street. For reservations or question please call Carol Porzini at 305-233-3965.

Thought of the Duy:

If we were meant to talk more than listen, we would have two mouths and one ear - Mark Twain

Gary Alan Passe contributed to this column

Got any tips? Contact me at 305-669-7355 ext. 249, or send emails to < Michaelizcom мынізнечорарет оне

A newspaper article also can qualify to meet the publicity requirement for step 2 b. and c.



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### MHMP Phase I – Planning Process

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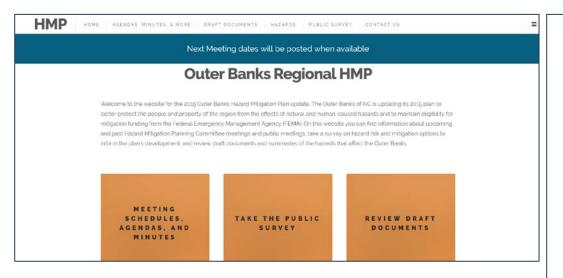


### CRS Step 2 – Involve the Public

- (d) 5 points, for each additional public information activity implemented to explain the planning process and encourage input (up to 30 points)
  - Website that explains the planning process and posts data such as draft plan
  - Conduct a webcast
  - Speak to neighborhood groups
  - Conduct a questionnaire/survey
  - Information booth at festival
  - Newspaper Article

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#### **Outer Banks Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan Public Survey**

Online version can be found at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OBX-HMP

Currituck and Dare Counties, along with Dare County local jurisdictions, are developing a Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan to assess and minimize risk to natural hazards, and your participation is important to us. Your input will help us to better understand the vulnerabilities within the Region and how to best mitigate or reduce the impacts of these hazards. Please help us by completing this survey by Friday, June 14th and returning it to:

> Abby Moore, Wood 4021 Stirrup Creek Drive, Suite 100, Durham, NC 27703 Or by email to: abigail.moore@woodplc.com

This survey can also be completed online at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OBX-HMP

If you have any questions about this survey or want to learn about more ways to participate in the Outer Banks Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan update, please contact the planning consultant for the project, David Stroud with Wood, at 919-765-9986 or by email at david.stroud@woodplc.com. You can also visit the project website at www.OBX-HMP.com,

BA	CKGROUND INFORMATION				
1.	Where do you live?				
	□ Unincorporated Currituck County □ Unincorporated Dare County □ Duck □ Kill Devil Hills □ Kitty Hawk		Nags Head Southern Sh	pres	
2.	Do you rent or own your home?				
	□ Rent □ Own				
3.	How prepared do you feel for a hazard	event?			
	□ Not at all prepared	Somewhat prepa	red	□ Very prepared	
4.	Do you know where evacuation centers  Yes No	s or storm shelters are	?		
5.	Are you able to evacuate or take shelte	r if necessary?			
	☐ Yes ☐ No				
6.	Do you know where/how to get more i  Yes No	nformation on hazard	risk and prepa	aredness?	



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### MHMP Phase I – Planning **Process**

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### CRS Step 3 – Coordinate

- 5 points, if the planning includes a review of existing studies, reports and technical information of the community's needs goals and plans for the area
  - Where the information from the existing studies and reports is used in the plan
  - The review needs to include a review of
    - Community needs and goals
    - Past flood studies
    - Natural areas plans
    - Other documents that will provide information for the planning process



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#### Table 3.7 - Summary of Existing Studies and Plans Reviewed

Resource Referenced	Use in this Plan
Chatham County-Savannah Comprehensive Plan, 2016	<ul> <li>identify growth and development goals</li> <li>develop community profile</li> </ul>
Chatham County Code Book	<ul> <li>develop capability assessment</li> <li>develop mitigation strategy</li> </ul>
Chatham County Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2015	<ul> <li>identify flood hazards and develop hazard profiles</li> <li>develop capability assessment</li> <li>develop mitigation strategy</li> </ul>
Georgia Coastal Hazards Portal	develop erosion hazard profile
Chatham County and Incorporated Areas Flood Insurance Study (FIS), July 2014	<ul> <li>develop flood hazard profile and identify flooding sources in the County</li> <li>DFIRM used to prepare the 100-/500-year flooding vulnerability assessment</li> </ul>
Chatham County Emergency Operations Plan, 2012	<ul> <li>develop capability assessment</li> <li>develop mitigation strategy</li> </ul>
Chatham County Disaster Recovery Plan, 2015	<ul> <li>develop vulnerability assessment</li> <li>develop capability assessment</li> <li>develop mitigation strategy</li> </ul>

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- Florida Division of Emergency Management
- FEMA Region IV
- Miami-Dade County Regulatory and Economic **Development Agency**
- Miami-Dade County Regulatory and Economic Resources Department
- South Florida Water Management District
- American Red Cross, South Florida Region
- **National Weather Service**
- Miami-Dade County Office of Emergency Management
- **US Army Corps of Engineers**
- Miami-Dade Public Schools
- Key Biscayne National Park
- Fortis College
- **CBT** College
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- NOAA Southeast Fisheries Science Center
- Florida Department of Environmental Protection
- City of Miami Public Works and Waste Management
- Florida Department of Transportation
- South Florida Regional Planning Council



Office of the Town Manager

Rafael G. Casals, CFM Town Manager

January 27th, 2014

Miles Anderson State Hazard Mitigation Officer & NFIP Coordinator 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-2100

RE: Town of Cutler Bay Flood Mitigation Plan

Dear Mr. Anderson:

The Town of Cutler Bay is developing a flood mitigation plan to address the flood hazards and associated stormwater and local drainage issues that impact the community. This planning process incorporates the four phases of the Disaster Mitigation Act (DMA) of 2000, as well as the 10-steps of Activity 510-Floodplain Management Planning in the National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) Program:

Our objective in reaching out to other agencies and stakeholders is to coordinate with those who may bring additional information to the planning process and associated flood issues within Cutler Bay. Any information, studies, etc. which may supplement the work of the established Floodplain Mitigation Technical Advisory Committee would be welcomed. Additionally, we invite your participation at our committee and public meetings throughout the planning process. Dates for future meeting are posted on the Town's website: www.CUTLERBAY-FL.GOV.

Ms. Sandra Cuervo, Building & Code Compliance Division Manager, is the program manager for this project. She can be reached at (305) 234-4264 or scuervo@cutlebay-FL.gov or you may send information directly to Sandra's attention to the address on this letterhead. Additionally you can contact our planning consultant, David Stroud with AMEC at (919) 765-9986 or david.stroud@amec.com.

We look forward to hearing from you and/or participation at future committee and public meetings.

Rafael G. Casals Town Manager

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### MHMP Phase II – Risk Assessment

201.6 (c) (2) (i) The risk assessment shall include a description of the type, location, and extent of all natural hazards that can affect the jurisdiction. The plan shall include information on all previous occurrences of all hazard events and on the probability of all future hazard events

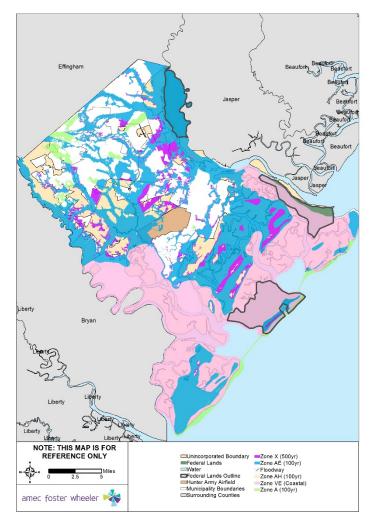
### CRS Step 4 – Assess the Hazard

- (a) 15 points for providing and an assessment of the flood hazard in the plan (1) 5 pts (2) 5 pts (3) 5 pts
  - The Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) show on the FIRM
  - Repetitive Loss Areas
  - Areas not mapped on the FIRM that have flooded in the past
  - Other surface flooding identified in other studies



- 4 (a) (1) 5 points for a map of the flood hazard area
  - Other assessment information can be in text format

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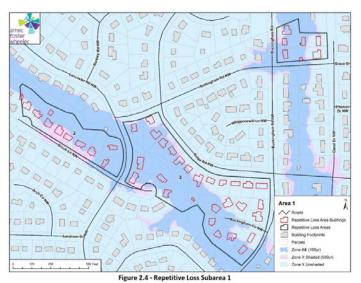


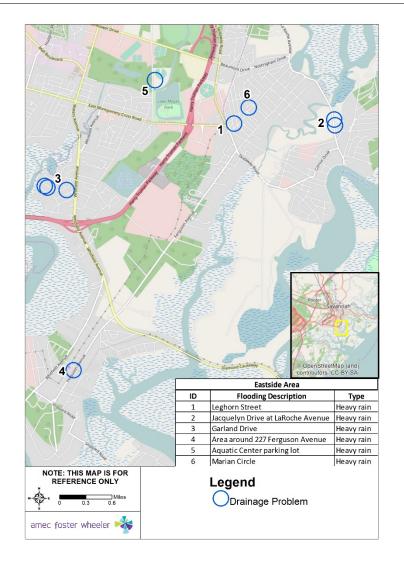




- 4 (a) (1) 5 points for a map of the flood hazard area
  - Other assessment information can be in text format

### Community specific credit









- 4 (a) (3) 5 points for a discussion of past floods
  - Detail for each flood event
  - Historical at least 20 years

### Community specific credit

Table 3.2 - FEMA Major Disaster Declarations for Florida, 2002-2014 Date Disaster# Hazard Type Severe Storms, Flooding, Tornadoes and Straight-line Winds DR-4177 05/06/2014 Severe Storms and Flooding DR-4138 08/02/2013 Humicane Isaac DR-4084 10/18/2012 Tropical Storm Debby DR-4068 07/03/2012 Severe Storms, Flooding, Tornadoes and Straight-line Winds DR-1840 05/27/2009 Severe Storms, Flooding, Tornadoes and Straight-line Winds DR-1831 04/21/2009 Hurricane Gustav DR-1806 10/27/2008 Tropical Storm Fay DR-1785 08/24/2008 Severe Storms, Tomadoes and Flooding DR-1680 02/08/2007 Severe Storms and Tornadoes DR-1679 02/03/2007 Hurricane Wilma DR-1609 10/24/2005 Hurricane Katrina DR-1602 08/28/2005 Hurricane Dennis DR-1595 07/10/2005 Humicane Jeanne DR-1561 09/26/2004 Hurricane Ivan DR-1551 09/16/2004 Hurricane Frances DR-1545 09/04/2004 Hurricane Charley and Tropical Storn DR-1539 08/13/2004 Severe Storms and Flooding DR-1481 07/29/2003 Source: Florida State Hazard Mitigation Pla

April 15, 2013 - A weak upper level trough of low pressure moved across South Flostationary frontal boundary over North Florida resulting in isolated severe thunderstorms metropolitan region during the afternoon. Nearly six inches of rain fell on Miami Beak duration and caused significant street flooding.

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October 8, 2011 - Heavy and persistent showers led to flooding over southwestern me County. Total rainfall amounts in this area ranged from 5 to 9 inches, with most of this span of 6 hours or less, resulting in significant street flooding.

June 5, 2009 - Severe flooding affected the mid and South Beach sections of Miami Beach as well as downtown Miami from a nearly stationary thunderstorm originating in Biscayne Park. A total of 9.3 inches fell at the cooperative station on South Beach, most of this falling in less than 3 hours. This caused as much as 3 feet of standing water on streets and garages on South Beach, resulting in many vehicles stalled on streets and road closures across the area. Cars were seen floating down Michigan Avenue at 11th Street. Several businesses had water intrusion along Alton Road and 17th Street. A number of condominium buildings along West Avenue had up to 5 feet of water in the parking garages.

October 4, 2008 - An area of heavy rain continued to slowly move south to southeast out of Broward County into Miami-Dade County with rainfall estimates from the National Weather Service radar at two to three inches per hour. On Miami Beach, an off-duty weather service employee reported water entering cars, while more reports of the same were received from Key Biscayne. Several roads were closed with 2 to 3 feet of water for several hours.

September 9-12, 2001 - A stalled trough of low pressure across north Florida gradually shifted to south Florida and eventually spawned tropical storm Gabrielle in the east Gulf of Mexico. Before becoming Gabrielle 5 to 10 inches of rain fell across southeast Florida, causing widespread street flooding.

September 16, 1998 - The ground was well saturated from previous day's rain. Radar rainfall estimated amounts ranging from 4 to 8 inches. Homestead Airforce Base recorded 4.75 inches. At least eight homes were flooded with about 6 inches of water. Widespread street flooding was also reported.

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- 4 (b) 10 points for an assessment of less frequent floods
  - Identify the hazard
    - Levee
    - Dam
    - Special hazard (Section 401)
    - Coastal A-Zone 1.5 3.0 foot wave height
  - Map the hazard
  - Assessment of the hazard
  - Summarize the hazard

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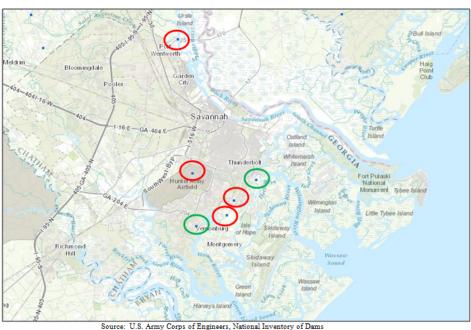


Figure 4.7- National Inventory of Dams for Chatham County

F	Table 4.5 - National Inventory of Dams, Chatham County								
Dam Name	NIDID	Owner	Height (Ft.)	NID Storage (acre-feet)	Dam Type	River			
Forest City Gun Club Lake Dam	GA00928	Forest City Gun Club	9.8	273	Earthen	Unknown			
Lake Mayer Dam	GA00927	Chatham County	8.9	382	Earthen				
Pond 29 Dam	GA82309	Fort Stewart/HAAF	19.0	71	Earthen	Off-stream			





# MHMP Phase II – Risk Assessment

201.6 (c) (2) (ii) The risk assessment shall include a description of Jurisdiction's vulnerability to the hazards described in 201.6 (c) (2) (i). The description shall include an overall summary of each hazard and impact on the community. The plan shall include the vulnerability in terms of: (A) The types and numbers of existing and future buildings, infrastructure, and critical facilities located in the hazard areas;

- (B) an estimate of the potential losses to vulnerable structures identified in paragraph (C) (2) (ii) (A) of this Section and a description of the methodology used to prepare the estimate; Providing a general description of land uses and development trends within the community so that mitigation options can be considered in future land use decisions
- 201.6 (c) (2) (iii) For multi-jurisdictional plans, the risk assessment section, must assess each jurisdiction's risks where they vary from risks affecting the entire planning are





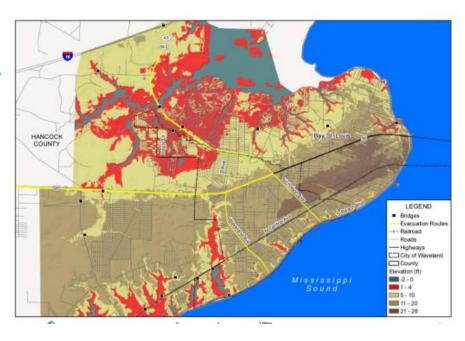
### CRS Step 5

- (b) (1) 5 points for life, safety and the need for warning and evacuating residents and visitors

### Community specific credit

- (b) (2) 5 points for public health, including health hazard to individuals from flood waters and mold

### Plan as whole credit



#### 5.7.2 Public Health

Certain health hazards are common to flood events. While such problems are often not reported, three general types of health hazards accompany floods. The first comes from the water itself. Floodwaters carry anything that was on the ground that the upstream runoff picked up, including dirt, oil, animal waste, and lawn, farm and industrial chemicals. Pastures and areas where farm animals are kept or their wastes are stored can contribute polluted waters to the receiving streams.

Floodwaters also saturate the ground, which leads to infiltration into sanitary sewer lines. When wastewater treatment plants are flooded, there is nowhere for the sewage to flow. Infiltration and lack of treatment can lead to overloaded sewer lines that can back up into low-lying areas and homes. Even when it is diluted by flood waters, raw sewage can be a breeding ground for bacteria such as e.coli and other disease causing agents. Residents with private wells will need to have their water quality tested to ensure it is safe for use.

The second type of health problem arises after most of the water has gone. Stagnant pools can become breeding grounds for mosquitoes, and wet areas of a building that have not been properly cleaned breed mold and mildew. A building that is not thoroughly cleaned becomes a health hazard, especially for small children and the elderly.





- CRS Step 5
  - (b) (3) 5 points for critical facilities and infrastructure
  - (b) (4) 5 points for the community's economy and major employers
  - (b) (5) 5 points numbers,
     types of structures subject to
     flood damage

Community specific credits

- Plans and procedures for protecting and removing critical facilities
- List of major employers for every community

 Occupancy (residential, commercial, governmental, etc.)





### CRS Step 5

- (C) 5 points if the assessment includes a review of all historical damage including all properties that have received flood insurance claims payments

Community specific credit

Table 5.8 - Estimated Building Damage and Content Loss

Occupancy Type	Total Number of Buildings with Loss	Total Value (Building & Contents)	Estimated Building Damage	Estimated Content Loss	Estimated Total Damage	Loss Ratio
Agricultural	73	\$37,832,008	\$2,937,363	\$8,298,888	\$11,236,251	29.7%
Commercial	542	\$232,663,013	\$8,284,789	\$25,826,279	\$34,111,068	14.7%
Education	56	\$58,941,192	\$2,401,055	\$15,177,131	\$17,578,186	29.8%
Government	0					
Industrial	715	\$626,046,635	\$27,695,636	\$55,716,850	\$83,412,486	13.3%
Religious	0					
Residential	7078	\$2,338,943,317	\$400,112,028	\$218,105,946	\$618,217,974.00	26.4%
Total	8464	\$3,294,426,165	\$441,430,871	\$323,125,094	\$764,555,965	23.2%

Source: Hazus v.2, FEMA 2014 Effective DFIRM

Table 5.12 - NFIP Policy and Claims Data by Occupancy Type - Chatham County

Occupancy	Policies in Force	Total Premium	Insurance in Force	Number of Closed Paid Losses	Total of Closed Paid Losses
Single Family	15,402	\$11,078,385	\$4,545,986,800	757	\$9,398,374.52
2-4 Family	169	\$78,305	\$34,836,100	17	\$105,998.89
All Other Residential	1,115	\$388,635	\$192,432,200	13	\$428,844.33
Non-Residential	401	\$657,619	\$174,532,400	40	\$1,322,462.17
Total	17,087	\$12,202,944	\$4,947,787,500	827	\$11,255,678.00

Source: FEMA Community Information System as of 05/31/2017

Table 5.13 - NFIP Policy and Claims Data by Flood Zone - Chatham County

Flood Zone	Policies in Force	Total Premium	Total Coverage	Number of Closed Paid Losses	Total of Closed Paid Losses
A01-30 & AE Zones	11,391	\$9,249,167	\$3,133,347,700	502	\$7,158,535.05
A Zones	15	\$17,752	\$3,991,800	20	\$312,398.47
AO Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00
AH Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00
AR Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00
A99 Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00
V01-30 & VE Zones	159	\$607,952	\$42,551,400	5	\$89,477.97
V Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00
D Zones	0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0.00
B, C & X Zone					
Standard	239	\$323,848	\$65,088,400	61	\$767,912.29
Preferred	5,279	\$2,001,825	\$1,702,675,000	224	\$2,880,651.62
Total	17,083	\$12,200,544	\$4,947,654,300	812	\$11,208,973.00

Source: FEMA Community Information System as of 05/31/2017



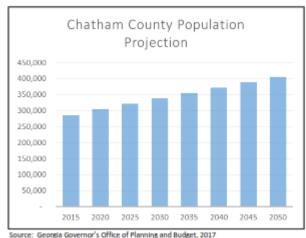




- CRS Step 5
  - (e) 7 points if the assessment includes a description of the development, redevelopment, and population trends, and a discussion of what the future brings for development and redevelopment in the community, the watershed, and natural resource areas

### Community specific credit

- Comprehensive discussion
- Population projections
- Future development / future land use, etc.



Source: Georgia Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, 2017

Figure 2.10 – Population Projections for Chatham County



- MHMP Phase III Mitigation Strategy
  - 201.6 (c) (3) (ii) The mitigation strategy shall include a section that identifies and analyzes a comprehensive range of specific mitigation actions and projects being considered to reduce the effect of each hazard, with the particular emphasis on new and existing building and infrastructure
- CRS Step 7 Review Possible Activities
  - Credit for this step is the total of the following based on which floodplain management or hazard mitigation activities are reviewed in the plan (maximum credit 35 points)
  - Must describe those activities which were considered

Plan as a whole credit





No CRS credit for providing this listing of the 6 mitigation categories or something similar

- Preventive activities keep flood problems from getting worse. The use and development of flood-prone areas is limited through planning, land acquisition, or regulation. They are usually administered by building, zoning, planning, and/or code enforcement offices.
  - · Floodplain mapping and data
  - · Open space preservation
  - Floodplain regulations
  - Erosion setbacks

- Planning and zoning
- Stormwater management
- · Drainage system maintenance
- Building codes
- 2. Property protection activities are usually undertaken by property owners on a building-bybuilding or parcel basis.
  - Relocation
  - Acquisition
  - · Building elevation

- Retrofitting
- · Sewer backup protection
- Insurance
- 3. Natural resource protection activities preserve or restore natural areas or the natural functions of floodplain and watershed areas. They are implemented by a variety of agencies, primarily parks, recreation, or conservation agencies or organizations.
  - · Wetlands protection
  - Erosion and sediment control
  - Natural area preservation
  - · Natural area restoration

- · Water quality improvement
- Coastal barrier protection
- · Environmental corridors
- · Natural functions protection
- 4. Emergency services measures are taken during an emergency to minimize its impact. These measures are usually the responsibility of city or county emergency management staff and the owners or operators of major or critical facilities.
  - Hazard threat recognition
  - Hazard warning
  - · Hazard response operations
- · Critical facilities protection
- Health and safety maintenance
- · Post-disaster mitigation actions
- 5. Structural projects keep flood waters away from an area with a levee, reservoir, or other flood control measure. They are usually designed by engineers and managed or maintained by public works staff.
  - Reservoirs
  - Levees/floodwalls
  - Diversions

- · Channel modifications
- · Storm drain improvements
- 6. Public information activities advise property owners, potential property owners, and visitors about the hazards, ways to protect people and property from the hazards, and the natural and beneficial functions of local floodplains. They are usually implemented by a public information office.
  - Map information
  - · Outreach projects
  - Real estate disclosure

- Library
- · Technical assistance
- Environmental education







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### Step 7 CRS Section (a) is required under this step

- (a) 5 points if the plan reviews preventative activities such as zoning, stormwater management, building codes, subdivision ordinances, and preservation of open space, and the effectiveness of current regulatory and preventative standards and programs. For this credit, the review must include a discussion of the community's (Required for any credit in this step)
  - Comprehensive or land use plan
  - **Building code**
  - Zoning ordinance
  - Floodplain management regulations
  - Subdivision ordinance
  - Stormwater management regulations
- (b) 5 points if the plan reviews whether the community's floodplain management regulatory standards are sufficient for current and future conditions (steps 4 (c) and 5 (f))
- (c) through (g) property protection, natural resources, emergency services, structural projects, and outreach and education



#### Table B.1 – Prevention Mitigation Options and Recommended Projects

Action #	Mitigation Action	Reason for Pursuing / Not Pursuing	Funding			
Prevention Measures Considered by FMPC and Not Recommended						
-	Encourage voluntary compliance with floodplain development regulations.	Could save money on enforcement but would not guarantee compliance with standards.	n/a			
-	Manage growth and development in the County through a constantly updated Master Plan.	Limited staff resources to support constant updates to a Master Plan.	n/a			
-	Regulate development within Chatham County's coastal barrier areas	Development of a sea level rise adaptation plan instead would enable better-informed regulation of these and other at-risk areas.	n/a			

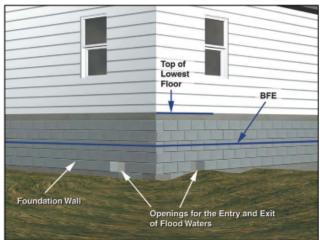
Action #	Mitigation Action	Reason for Pursuing / Not Pursuing	Funding
revent	ion Measures and Funding Recommende	d for Implementation	
3	Update and enforce building codes and Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance and consider higher regulatory standards to better protect existing and future development.	By updating these regulations to require higher standards, such as an increased freeboard or elevation of electrical equipment, and by enforcing these codes throughout the development process to ensure compliance, Chatham County can limit the vulnerability of new development to flooding.	Operating Budget
4	Continue to enforce Flood Damage Prevention requirements through on- site floodplain inspections.	Increased enforcement of development regulations will ensure that new development will be less vulnerable to flooding.	Operating Budget
6	Improve stormwater management regulations to include higher standards for design storm, size of development regulated, low-impact development, and public maintenance of detention and retention facilities.	Incorporating higher standards into stormwater management regulations will help to minimize the stormwater runoff generated by new development and can potentially provide for on-site stormwater management to mitigate existing problems.	Operating Budget
7	Create new drainage maintenance SOP to include natural drainage features within unincorporated Chatham County.	Expanding drainage maintenance procedures to include natural drainage features will reduce the risk of flooding by ensuring the entire drainage system is functioning properly.	Operating Budget
12	Enact deed restrictions and other growth management tools to preserve wetland and natural resource areas and conserve their natural and ecological functions.	Preserving wetlands and natural resource areas will protect these important areas for future flood protection and continued water quality improvement.	Operating Budget
14	Integrate the FMP into the Emergency Operations Plan, Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan, Comprehensive Plan, and Capital Improvement Program.	Integrating planning efforts can be incorporated easily into regular updates. It will help to reinforce the goals, objectives, and actions of this plan and increase the ease and likelihood of implementation.	Operating Budget
21	Develop a long-range regional plan for sea level rise which evaluates multiple adaptation methods.	Analyzing exactly which areas and properties are at risk and then planning and implementing adaptation strategies accordingly can protect the County from suffering the full impact of sea level rise.	-

#### **Building Codes**

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Building codes provide one of the best methods for addressing natural hazards. When properly designed and constructed according to code, the average building can withstand many of the impacts of natural hazards. Hazard protection standards for all new and improved or repaired buildings can be incorporated into the local building code. Building codes can ensure that the first floors of new buildings are constructed to be higher than the elevation of the 100-year flood (the flood that is expected to have a one percent chance of occurring in any given year). This is shown in Figure B.1.

Just as important as having code standards is the enforcement of the code. Adequate inspections are needed during the course of construction to ensure that the builder understands the requirements and is following them. Making sure a structure is properly elevated and anchored requires site inspections at each step.



Source: FEMA Publication: Above the Flood: Elevating Your Floodprone House, 2000

Figure B.1 – Building Codes and Flood Elevations

As of February 26, 2016, Chatham County has adopted the current edition of the International Building Code. In accordance with the IBC, the ground immediately adjacent to the foundation shall be sloped away from the building at a slope of not less than one unit vertical in 20 units horizontal (5-percent slope) for a minimum distance of 10 feet measured perpendicular to the face of the wall. If physical obstructions or lot lines prohibit 10 feet of horizontal distance, a 5-percent slope shall be provided to an approved alternative method of diverting water away from the foundation. Swales used for this purpose shall be sloped a minimum of 2 percent where located within 10 feet of the building foundation. Impervious surfaces within 10 feet of the building foundation shall be sloped a minimum of 2-percent away from the building.

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- CRS Step 10 Implement, Evaluate and Revise
- (b) Up to 24 points if the same or similar planning committee meets to discuss the implementation of the plan.

- 6 points annual review of plan
- 12 points review of the plan twice in one year
- 18 points for review of the plan 3 times in one year
- 24 points for quarterly review of the plan



### Let's Up the Average



Table 3. Comparison of the Planning Processes						
Mitigation Planning Elements*	CRS Planning Steps**	Max Points	Average			
	1. Organize to prepare the plan	15	10			
A Diaming Process	2. Involve the public	120	34			
A. Planning Process	3. Coordinate	35	10			
	10. Implement, evaluate, revise	26	5			
B. Hazard Identification and	4. Assess the hazard	35	25			
Risk Assessment	5. Assess the problem	52	29			
	6. Set goals	2	2			
C. Mitigation Strategy	7. Review possible activities	35	20			
	8. Draft an action plan	60	42			
D. Plan Update	10. Implement, evaluate, revise 5-year update	See E	See Element A			
E. Plan Adoption	9. Adopt the plan	2	2			
		382	171			

<sup>\*</sup> The planning elements are per Local Mitigation Plan Review Guide and its Plan Review Tool

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<sup>\*\*</sup> The 10 steps are detailed in Activity 510, Section 512.a, Floodplain Management Planning (FMP) in the CRS Coordinator's Manual

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