

The Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation has joined forces with Maricopa County and other jurisdictions around the Valley to review and update the existing multi-hazard mitigation plans and consolidate them into one multi-jurisdictional, multi-hazard mitigation plan. A final draft of the 2009 Maricopa County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (PLAN) is now available for review and comment.

The goal of this mitigation planning effort is to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to life and property from natural hazard events. Mitigation is not how we respond to emergencies like floods and wildfires, but rather how we as a community might lessen or even prevent the impact of such things in the first place.

The mitigation planning process involved identifying and profiling the natural hazards most likely to occur in a community, assessing the vulnerability to these hazards, and establishing goals, actions, and projects that mitigate the associated risks. The update of this mitigation PLAN will also ensure the community's continued eligibility for non-emergency, federal hazard mitigation grants.

Residents are highly encouraged to review the updated PLAN and offer comments. For more information, please visit the multi-jurisdictional planning website at:

http://www.maricopa.gov/Emerg_Mgt/links.aspx

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