

BLAINE COUNTY MHMP PLANNING TEAM MEETING #4
MARCH 19, 2018
11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Attendance:

John	Skoyen	Rancher/Past Pipeline Operator
Deb	Anderson	Blaine Co. Health Dept.
Glenn	Huestis	Blaine Co. Sheriff
Dave	Boisvert	Blaine County IT
Haley	Velk	Blaine County DES
Laurie	Huestis	Blaine County DES/EMS
Dirk	Drugge	Blaine County Roads & Bridges
Frank	Billmayer	Blaine County Sheriff's Dept.
Arin	Peters	National Weather Service - Great Falls
Taen	Anquin	National Weather Service - Great Falls
Elmer	Zarn	Chinook Police Dept.
Tammy	Williams	Blaine Co. Clerk & Recorder
Mark	Weber	Blaine Co. Health Dept.
Debbie	Gomke	Blaine Co. Sheriff Dept.
Daphne	Digrindakis	Tetra Tech

Agenda:

- Update 2012 Mitigation Strategy; Wildfire & Flooding

Handouts:

- 2012 Blaine County Mitigation Strategy
- Example Mitigation Projects
- Types of Mitigation

Notes:

Next Planning Team Meeting

- Monday, May 21, 2018

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Goal Objective	Mitigation Project	Status: Reword, Retain, Delete, New for 2017	Jurisdiction	Priority	Progress Made 2012- 2017	Planned Activities 2018- 2023	Responsible Agency	Schedule	Potential Funding Source(s)
Goal 3 - Reduce Impacts from Severe Weather									
Objective 3.1 - Enhance Emergency Service Capabilities to Respond to Severe Weather									
	Project 3.1.1 - Promote enhanced weather monitoring to attain earlier severe weather warnings.	Reword. Take out "winter storms" and change to include all Severe Weather.	County, Chinook, Harlem	High	County participates in weekly conference call with NWS. Weekly briefings are sent to responders and LEPC. Alert Sense now in place E-911.	Continue same. Monitor webinar offerings.	County DES	Ongoing	County, NWS
Objective 3.2 - Provide Public Education and Awareness on Severe Weather									
	Project 3.2.1 - Continue to provide severe weather notices to special needs providers to enhance preparedness.	Was "Public outreach campaign where special needs residents would provide information on where they live and what they need. Develop a database with this information."	County, Chinook, Harlem	High	Special needs populations have been identified in the County. DES talks with providers during severe weather events to make sure they have what they need.	Continue same. Encourage Dispatch to include notes in their record management program.	County DES, Public Health, Dispatch Center	Ongoing	County
	Project 3.2.2 - Continue participating in StormReady Community program.	Retain	County, Chinook, Harlem	High	Every year Blaine Co. has spotter weather training. Training was provided at meetings of County Dept. heads, Chinook, Harlem city meetings.	Update weather radios as needed. Promote people getting weather app on their phone.	County DES, LEPC	Ongoing	County, NWS
	Project 3.2.3 - Promote the National Weather Service's Severe Weather Awareness Week.	Retain	County, Chinook, Harlem	Medium	Promoted with emails through DES and NWS.	Use social media to push out message.	County DES	Ongoing	County, NWS
	DELETE - Promote the National Weather Service's Winter Weather Awareness Week.	Delete. Combined summer and winter weather projects into one.							
	DELETE - Promote National Weather Service's severe weather spotter training program.	Delete - Covered under StormReady Community project.							

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	Goal 4 - Reduce Impacts from Transportation Accidents								
	Objective 4.1 - Implement Structural Projects to Reduce Impact of Transportation Accidents								
	Project 4.1.1 - Support MDT's Highway 2 rebuild project and encourage improved approach heights and distances between highway and railroad.	New project.	County, Chinook, Harlem	High	New project for 2018 Plan.	Commissioners & City Council to write letters requesting that their issues and concerns be considered in new highway design.	LEPC, Commissioners, City Councils	Mid-term	County resources
	Project 4.1.2 - Encourage BNSF and MDT to address continued blockage Hwy 241 where railroad siding is not long enough to keep trains out of crossing.	New project.	Harlem	High	New project for 2018 Plan.	Commissioners & City Council to write letters reporting safety concerns associated with current configuration where siding can be blocked for 45 minutes and emergency vehicles to Turner and Hogelans can't get through.	LEPC, Commissioners, City Council	Mid-term	County and City resources
	DELETE - Refine warning system protocol for train derailments involving hazardous materials.	Delete. Project 5.3.1 developed instead of this one. BN has haz-mat crew. DES gets call from Dispatch.							
	DELETE - Coordinate with MDT, County, and BNSF regarding approach heights between railroad and highway.	Delete. Included in project 4.1.1.							
	DELETE - Coordinate with MDT, County, and BNSF regarding increasing distance between highway and railroad at select locations.	Delete. Included in project 4.1.1.							
	DELETE - Support expansion of Highway 2 to four lanes to accommodate traffic and future development.	Delete. Not going to happen.							

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Goal 5 - Reduce Impacts from Hazardous Material Incidents										
<i>Objective 5.1 - Enhance Emergency Services to Mitigate Impacts from Hazardous Material Incidents</i>										
		Project 5.1.1 - Continue providing awareness and safety training to emergency responders.	Retain	County, Chinook, Harlem	High	Incident Command Training was provided and new "yellow books" on chemicals passed out to fire depts. BNSF provides haz-mat training to local depts. Through webinars nd recently held class in Havre.	Continue same.	County Fire Council, EMS Council, DES	Ongoing	County resources
		Project 5.1.2 - Obtain and update haz-mat equipment for city and rural fire departments.	Retain	County, Chinook, Harlem	High	Fire depts. Are in the process of getting SCBAs	Continue same. Update haz-mat decon suits.	City and Rural Fire Depts.	Ongoing	City and County fire budgets
<i>Objective 5.2 - Provide Public Education and Awareness to Mitigate Hazardous Material Incidents</i>										
		Project 5.2.1 - Increase participation in LEPC to enhance public's awareness of hazardous material risk in the County.	Retain	County, Chinook, Harlem	High	County routinely sends out emails and invites people to LEPC meetings. Pipeline companies have started coming, as well as newly elected officials. Effort is being made to make LEPC meeting into working sessions. LEPC recently took a field trip to the fire dept. where an exercise was completed using a stand table on how to respond.	Continue same.	County DES, LEPC	Ongoing	County resources

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		Objective 5.3 - Develop Plans, Mapping, and/or Analysis Projects to Mitigate Impacts from Hazardous Material Incidents								
		Project 5.3.1 - Review and expand EOP Annex on Evacuation and Shelter-in-Place to include a Population Protection Plan that considers haz-mat exposure.	New project	County, Chinook, Harlem	High	New Project for 2018 Plan.	Obtain template on line and modify. Provide to LEPC working group to	County DES, LEPC	Short-term	County resources
		Goal 9 - Reduce Impacts Associated with All Hazards								
		Objective 9.1 - Enhance Emergency Services to Mitigate Impacts from All Hazards								
		Project 9.1.1 - Identify emergency shelters in each community.	Retain	County, Chinook, Harlem	High	County Public Health Dept. and Red Cross working on this. No county shelters meet Red Cross standards (or will they ever).	Continue same.	Co. Public Health, DES, LEPC	Ongoing	County, Red Cross
		Project 9.1.2 - Obtain generator(s) to use as emergency back-up power to critical facilities, as needed.	Reword. Was "Obtain mobile generator(s) to use as emergency back-up power to critical facilities, as needed".	County, Chinook, Harlem	High	Courthouse and nursing home in Chinook have generators. So does school in Turner.	If entity will take responsibility for maintenance, get generator for Harlem. Consider feasibility of generator in Commercial Building in Chinook.	LEPC	Mid-term	Cities, County, School Districts, Others
		DELETE - Rewire critical facilities and emergency shelters to accommodate mobile generators and provide training to community partners.	Delete - County tried to get FEMA grant. FEMA had extensive requirements for mobile generators that made project not feasible.							
		DELETE - Obtain connecting hardware and trailer associated with mobile emergency generators.	Delete. Now with E-911 (Alert Sense), sirens not needed. Emergency Alert system on TV from NWS.							