

Appendix C – Part 1

State of New Jersey - Executive Order #115

Governor James J. Florio

WHEREAS, various natural hazards have caused physical and financial impact in New Jersey and will continue to do so and these impacts have resulted in unexpected costs to county and local governments as well as degradation of the State's health, safety, environment, infrastructure and economy; and

WHEREAS, the opportunities to significantly mitigate the impacts of coastal storms, hurricanes, floods, wildfires, earthquakes, and other natural hazards are identifiable and should be executed as funding is available; and

WHEREAS, there exist the skills, expertise, and talent within the Executive Branch departments and independent authorities to examine and make recommendations to reduce the vulnerability of New Jersey's citizens and property; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 12 (1970-Cahill) and Executive Order No. 39 (1954-Meyner) directs State agencies to fully participate in the emergency management system; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Management in the Department of Law and Public Safety is charged with the responsibility to administer the State's comprehensive emergency management programs; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Advisory Council on Emergency Services is empowered to authorize expenditures from the Governor's Emergency Services Fund, upon approval of the Governor, to provide relief from an emergency; and

WHEREAS, a need exists to provide formal recognition, authority and responsibility to this organizational structure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES J. FLORIO, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. An interagency State Hazard Mitigation Team (SHMT) is established. A representative of the Office of the Governor will chair the Team and the State Hazard Mitigation Officer appointed by the Governor for the most recent Presidential Disaster Declaration, pursuant to federal law, shall serve as Deputy Chair.
2. In addition to the Chair and Deputy Chair, the team shall consist of the following members or their designees, with the ability to add other participants as appropriate:
 - A. Department of Community Affairs: Assistant Director Codes and Standards. Representative, Division of Fire Safety.
 - B. Department of Education: Emergency Coordinator.
 - C. Department of Environmental Protection and Energy: Supervisor of Land-Use Regulations. State Floodplain Management Coordinator. State Forest Fire Warden.
 - D. Department of Insurance: State Ombudsman.
 - E. Department of Transportation: Director of Roadway Design.
 - F. Department of Treasury: Representative, Office of Statewide Planning. Representative, Office of Management and Budget.
 - G. Department of Law and Public Safety: Representative, Office of the Attorney General. Representative, Office of Emergency Management.

All participants shall be prepared to evaluate hazard mitigation initiatives based on current agency policies and programs.

3. The activities of the team shall be coordinated by a Steering Committee consisting of the Chair and the Deputy Chair, Assistant Director of Codes and Standards, Director of Roadway Design, State Floodplain Management Coordinator, Supervisor of Land Use Regulation, the Representative of the Office of the Attorney General, and the Representative of the State Office of Emergency Management.
4. The SHMT shall develop a systematic program to identify hazards, monitor changes in hazard vulnerability and implement measures for reducing potential damage by providing a mechanism for follow-up activities crucial to the successful implementation of team recommendations.
5. The SHMT shall develop and maintain a comprehensive plan for the reduction of natural hazards. The team shall review and update this document as deemed necessary.
6. The SHMT shall work to increase the public's awareness of the risk associated with known hazards and promote preparedness among residents of the State.
7. The SHMT shall meet at the call of the Chair, but not less frequently than twice a year.
8. The SHMT shall serve as an advisory group to the Governor's Advisory Council on Emergency Services (GACES) and shall prepare post-disaster hazard mitigation recommendations for all applications for assistance.
9. GACES shall review and approve such recommendations based on their expected effectiveness in reducing the threat to the health, safety and property of the citizens of New Jersey.
10. The SHMT shall investigate and recommend cost-effective hazard mitigation opportunities to the Office of Emergency Management and to the Governor's Advisory Council on Emergency Services as part of any disaster recovery effort.
11. The SHMT shall prepare and submit to the Office of Emergency Management an annual work program which shall contain a budgetary needs statement. The team shall provide to the State Director an annual status report covering progress achieved through team activities.
12. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 14th day of January in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Four, and of the Independence of the United States, the Two Hundred and Eighteenth.

/s/ Jim Florio, Governor

Attest:

/s/ Chief Counsel to the Governor

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**Table 3.2.1.4-1
Membership of the New Jersey State Hazard Mitigation Plan Update
State Hazard Mitigation Team (SHMT)**

The SHMT members represent the combined expertise of the agencies that are represented. Individual members were appointed to represent their agencies but, at times, alternates attended.

| Affiliation or Agency | Representative | Mitigation Contributions |
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| Office of the Governor | | The Governor of New Jersey is considered one of the most powerful governorships in the nation. Along with the LT. Governor, they are the only statewide elected office in the state and appoint many government officials. |
| | Un-named | Chair of the SHMT and authority on behalf of the Governor. |
| New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Management | | Oversight and management of state and local hazard mitigation plan preparation process; identification and evaluation of mitigation planning programs and opportunities; coordination of mitigation planning with preparedness, response and recovery planning and event management; coordination of natural hazard mitigation with mitigation of manmade hazards, including terrorism. |
| | Lt.. Robert Little Sgt. Nickolas Arbolino Sgt. Michael Gallagher Kathy Lear Thomas Rafferty | Co-Chair of the SHMT, State Hazard Mitigation Officer and project manager for State Hazard Plan Development. Responsible for data collection requests, overall project coordination. Lead coordinator from NJOEM for all dissemination and organization for the MCT and SHMT. Project Development. FEMA funding Expertise. Joint Field Office representative. Local mitigation plan reviews, outreach and education. Expertise in FMA/HMGP planning and projects. NJOEM Lead IT and GIS coordinator. |
| New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection | | Provision and analysis of digital data and research publications and memoranda; assessment of natural hazards, identification of management programs; direct participation of the State Coordinator for the National Flood Insurance Program, the Office of Land Use Regulation, Forest Fire Service, Geologic Survey and other experienced personnel; coordination with state and federal programs affecting natural hazard mitigation including open space conservation, historic preservation, water resources management, dam safety and shore protection. |
| | Helen Owens (Regulatory) | Expertise in land use, environmental issues, floodplain management and hazards statewide. |
| | Joseph Ruggeri (Flood Control, Dam Safety, Coastal Engineering) | Expertise in NFIP, floodplain mapping, flood mitigation projects, and dam safety. |
| | Fawn McGee (Green Acres) | Expertise in Green Acres and Blue Acres programs for NJ. |
| | Steve Jandoli (Green Acres) | Planner |
| | Dennis Contas | Expertise in flood hazard area regulations, storm-water management, projects and issues. |

| Affiliation or Agency | Mitigation Contributions |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">Representative</p> Michael Drake Maris Gabliks (Forest Fire) | Expertise in fire hazards, fire regulations and fire history. |
| Karl Muessig Richard Dalton (NJ. Geological Survey) | Technical expertise in earthquakes, landslides, and subsidence statewide. |
| James Watt - | Expertise in the Community Assistance Program Technical expertise in flood insurance program policy and regulations. |
| Department Of Transportation | Planning, management and integration of all transportation facilities to ensure the safe, efficient and effective movement of people and goods; planning and project implementation to reduce vulnerabilities to natural hazards and to mitigate potential impacts of natural hazards on critical transportation infrastructure; identify and reduce vulnerabilities of people and materials to natural hazards through emergency evacuation or other needs and initiatives. |
| Robert Sudol Lisa Webber Edward Rogacki | Expertise in road construction, drainage related road construction, policies enforced by DOT regarding contra flow and evacuation routes, emergency management, and the budget and CIP processes at DOT. |
| Department of Banking and Insurance | Identification of opportunities to improve the collection of data regarding property losses associated with natural hazard events; identification of opportunities to ensure that hazard mitigation is given proper consideration in private sector banking, insurance and real estate transactions. |
| Susan Bauer Steve Mattson | Expert in insurance industry regulations and work with insurance industry to promote mitigations efforts within industry, industry standards and with the insured. |
| Office of the Attorney General | Define policies and procedures for hazard mitigation planning and project implementation consistent with appropriate precedent and practice. Experts in NJ Statutes, regulations and legal review of plan |
| Division of Military and Veterans Affairs Stephen Iaquinto Charles Guylas | Coordination with NJ National Guard efforts Liaison to the US Army Corp of Engineers and expertise with National Guard/ NJ military capabilities |
| New Jersey Department of Community Affairs | Assessment of building codes and their development, oversight and enforcement affecting hazard mitigation; coordination of state and local planning policies and initiatives affecting land use and infrastructure investments through State Development and Redevelopment Plan and needs for hazard mitigation; oversight of local government fiscal management; technical support for local redevelopment and revitalization initiatives that provide opportunities for hazard mitigation. |
| Carmine Giangiruso | Expertise in Building Code and Standards, Smart Growth processes, and inspectors programs (to ensure enough inspectors are available to jurisdictions faced with a disaster/emergency) |
| Department of Treasury | Identification of resources available for program implementation through oversight of state agency budgets; identification and management of state property and state owned and leased facilities potentially vulnerable to natural hazards. |
| Jeff Burns | Expertise in grants, budget and management of critical facilities |
| State Climatologist | Collection and management of weather, hydrologic and associated meteorological data; identification of opportunities to analyze and present data in ways that facilitate hazard mitigation planning and decision making. |
| Dave Robinson | Expertise in weather-related hazards statewide. |

| Affiliation or Agency | Representative | Mitigation Contributions |
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| Board of Public Utilities | To be appointed | Provision and analysis of natural hazard information affecting the provision of electric power, telecommunications, public water, sewage collection and treatment, and other regulated public utilities. |
| Office of Information Technology | Douglas M. Schleifer | The New Jersey Office of Information Technology (OIT) is the central IT organization that oversees the technology infrastructure for the executive branch of State government. It is this infrastructure that enables the State to deliver vital services to New Jersey's citizens and businesses every day. Provision of digital data and identification of opportunities for establishing, organizing and enhancing data necessary to improve identification and mitigation of natural hazards. |

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**Table 3.2.1-1
Membership of the New Jersey State Hazard Mitigation Core Team**

The Mitigation Core Team members represent the combined expertise of the agencies that are represented. Individual members represent their agencies but, at times, alternates attended.

| Organization Represented by Core Team Member | Role in the Plan Development Process |
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| New Jersey Office of Emergency Management SFC Robert Little | Project manager for State. Chairman of the Updated Plan, responsible for leading the teams and meetings, supporting data collection requests, overall project coordination. Liaison with FEMA Region II. Lead coordinator from NJOEM for all data collection, dissemination and organization for the MCT and SHMT. Primary liaison with consultant team, MCT and SHMT. Primary technical reviewer for all sections of the plan update. |
| New Jersey Office of Emergency Management Tom Rafferty | Lead IT and GIS coordinator. Coordinated HAZUS-related activities. Liaison with State Treasury for matters related to inventories of State-owned facilities and the LBAM database. Staff responsible for HAZUS tabular data extracts used in flood and wind risk assessments. Coordinated land use/land cover analyses and provided technical review. |
| NJDEP, State NFIP Coordinator's Office Joseph Ruggeri | Primary technical reviewer for all flood-related aspects of the mitigation plan update. Technical advice on NFIP, NJ and FEMA floodplain mapping, USACE and NJDEP flood mitigation projects and dam safety. |
| New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Regulatory) Helen Owens | Expertise in land use, environmental issues, floodplain management and hazards statewide. |
| NJ Forest Fire Service Mike Drake | Technical review of all hazard sections, focus on those related to fire hazards, fire regulations and fire history. |
| NJDEP Green Acres Program Fawn McGee | Responsible for the administration of the State's open space acquisitions through the Green Acres and Blue Acres Programs |
| New Jersey Department of Treasury Jeffrey Burns | Expertise in grants, budget and management of critical facilities. Input on State facilities aspects of the plan update. |
| New Jersey Geological Survey Karl Muessig | Primary technical reviewer for all geological hazards. Technical expertise in earthquakes, landslides, and subsidence statewide. |
| NJ State Climatologist David Robinson | Primary reviewer for all weather-related hazards covered in the plan. |

