

Part VI: Plan Maintenance

Christian County has developed a method to ensure regular review and update of the *Christian County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan*. The county's Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee consists of the county commissioners, municipal officials, members of the Christian County Emergency Management Committee (fire, law enforcement, emergency medical, and public health officers) and officials responsible for various objectives in the plan, and the County Emergency Management Director (EMD). Hazard mitigation objectives will be an agenda item, as needed, at meetings of the Christian County Emergency Management Committee.

The county EMD will be responsible for contacting all hazard mitigation planning committee members and organizing an annual meeting. The county commission, the EMD, and the participating municipalities will be responsible for monitoring and evaluating the progress of the mitigation strategies in the plan. They will review each goal and objective to determine their relevance to changing situations in the county, as well as changes in state or national policy, and to ensure that they are addressing current and expected conditions. They also will review the risk assessment portion of the plan to determine if this information should be updated or modified. The parties responsible for the various implementation actions will report on the status of their projects, including which implementation processes worked well, any difficulties encountered, how coordination efforts were proceeding, and which strategies should be revised.

Following the annual review, the county EMD will have three months to update and make changes to the plan as determined necessary before submitting it to the committee members and the State Hazard Mitigation Officer. If no changes are necessary, the State Hazard Mitigation Officer will be given a justification for this determination.

The general public will be encouraged to attend Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee meetings through posted notices, reminders or announcements at civic meetings, and possibly public speaking engagements. The Southwest Missouri Council of Governments will continue to host any announcements as well as a copy of the latest plan on the SMCOG website at <http://smcog.missouristate.edu>.