

Borough of Oakland Bergen County, New Jersey

Resolution 20-281

Adopt Bergen County Hazard Mitigation Plan

WHEREAS, the County of Bergen, New Jersey, has experienced natural hazards that result in public safety hazards and damage to private and public property;

WHEREAS, the hazard mitigation planning process set forth by the State of New Jersey and the Federal Emergency Management Agency offers the opportunity to consider natural hazards and risks, and to identify mitigation actions to reduce future risk through the adoption of a Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan ("Hazard Mitigation Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management is providing federal mitigation funds to support development of the Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, a draft Hazard Mitigation Plan has been developed by the Mitigation Planning Committee; and

WHEREAS, the draft Hazard Mitigation Plan includes a prioritized list of mitigation actions including activities that, over time, will help minimize and reduce safety threats and damage to private and public property; and

WHEREAS, the draft Hazard Mitigation Plan was provided to each participating jurisdiction and was posted on the County Office of Emergency Management's website so as to introduce the planning concept and to solicit questions and comments; and to present the Hazard Mitigation Plan and request comments, as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the draft Hazard Mitigation Plan was submitted by the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency on August 7, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency have approved the draft Hazard Mitigation Plan as submitted; and

WHEREAS, formal adoption and maintenance of the Hazard Mitigation Plan by the governing body is a condition of receipt of federal disaster aid; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management has recommended to the County Executive and Board of Chosen Freeholders that the Hazard Mitigation Plan, as submitted to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency on August 7, 2020, be adopted as the official Hazard Mitigation Plan of the County of Bergen.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland, upon the recommendation of the Oakland Office of Emergency Management, as follows:

- 1. The Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, as submitted to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency on August 7, 2020 by the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management is hereby adopted as an official plan of the Borough of Oakland; minor revisions recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and/or the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management may be incorporated without further action.
- 2. A hard copy of the Hazard Mitigation Plan shall be kept on file at the Borough of Oakland Office of the Municipal Clerk, and a digital copy or link shall be posted on the web site of the Borough of Oakland.
- 3. Any action proposed by the Hazard Mitigation Plan shall be subject to and contingent upon budget approval, if required, which shall be at the discretion of the Borough of Oakland, and this resolution shall not be interpreted so as to mandate any such appropriations.
- 4. The Oakland Office of Emergency Management shall prepare an annual progress report on the goals set forth in the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Copies of those reports will be kept on file at the office of the Municipal Clerk and the Oakland Office of Emergency Management. The status reports shall be submitted on an annual basis by a predetermined date as agreed upon by all stakeholders, and as required by applicable statutes and regulations.

ATTEST:	LINDA H. SCHWAGER, MAYOR
LISA M. DUNCAN, BOROUGH CLERK	
Date Adopted	

	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Biale						
Knapp						
Kulmala						
Pignatelli						
Talamini						
Van Eck						
Mayor						
Schwager						