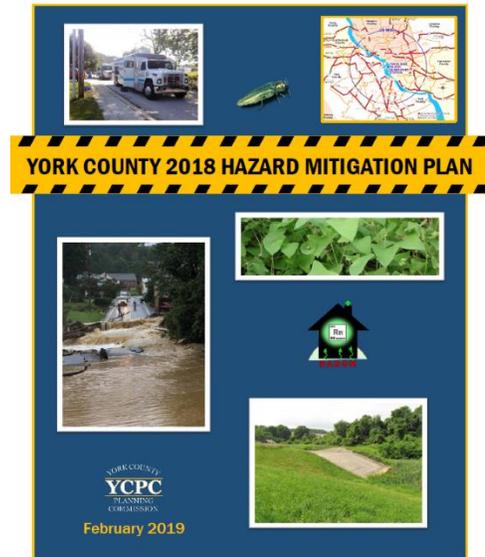


# York County Hazard Mitigation Plan 2019 Annual Report and Review

Efforts related to implementation of the York County 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 include the following:

## County/York County Planning Commission Mitigation Efforts-

- Plan Approval and Adoption Process-
  - Addressed FEMA comments as part of conditional approval,
  - Hosted a 45-day comment period,
  - Presentation and public comment opportunity as part of regularly scheduled YCPC meeting January 15, 2019,
  - Public Hearing and adoption by County Commissioners February 6, 2019,
  - Distributed Adopted Plan to municipalities and posted to website, and
  - Adopted by the first municipality (Jacobus Borough) February 6, 2019, with subsequent adoption by the remaining 71 municipalities and submission of adoption resolutions to PEMA and FEMA throughout the Year;



- York County Hazard Mitigation Viewer released in September- The York County Hazard Mitigation Viewer is a planning tool to increase public awareness of natural and human-made hazards by making these hazards easily identifiable at the municipal and parcel level. This awareness can then lead to action. The Viewer provides mitigation actions to address the identified hazards, as well as funding sources and other resources. The information provided by this tool is useful for planning, education, or general enrichment by the public, private, and government sectors. The Viewer is accessible at [www.ycpc.org](http://www.ycpc.org) . Several presentations were made to local and regional organizations regarding the Hazard Mitigation Viewer;
- January 2019- Participated in Flood Recovery Meeting to address 2018 flooding in southeastern York County;
- Updated York County dam Information for GIS layer;

- Participated in National Preparedness Month by posting weekly information on YCPC Facebook page;
- Participated as member of York County Emergency Management Program Advisory Committee;
- Continued participation on the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) and as part of the Tier II Plan Review Committee;
- Attended and participated in several educational workshops and webinars, including-
  - Pennsylvania Planning Association “Flood Economics” webinar,
  - FEMA “Integrated Public Alert & Warning System (IPAWS)” webinar,
  - PEMA “Advanced Floodplain Management Course,”
  - Association of State Floodplain Managers “Go Green with GASB 62” webinar.
  - Penn State York “Disasters and You” class through Osher Lifelong Learning Institute,
  - FEMA Region III “Floodplain Management and Hazard Mitigation Planning” webinar,
  - PA One Call “York Safety Day,”
  - FEMA “Engaging the Arts in Mitigation and Planning” webinar,
  - Small Business Administration “National Preparedness Month” webinar,
  - FEMA “E-grants for Beginners” webinar,
  - FEMA video presentation “Our Changing World, the Challenges for Emergency Managers,”
  - American Planning Association “Planning for Hazards: Land Use Solutions for Drought and Cascading Impacts” webinar, and
  - FEMA “National Response Framework and Emergency Support Function” webinar;
- Updated York County Planning Commission Hazard Mitigation Plan website page to include information on Plan Update and Web Viewer;
- Reviewed and commented on different projects affected by identified hazards;
- Continued education and outreach to municipalities regarding available grants and training, as well as any changes to hazard mitigation laws or related hazard mitigation information; and

- Provided information outreach on hazard mitigation topics through YCPC Facebook page and website.

### **Municipal/Resident Hazard Mitigation Efforts-**

- Chanceford Township- Responded to request for information and assistance related to 2018 flooding;
- Dover Borough- Assisted resident with stormwater flooding questions;
- Dover Township- In 2019, the Township completed another round of hazard mitigation grant acquisitions on Pine Road to address flooding issues. The acquisitions consisted of 6 parcels and 11 dwelling units. The site acquisitions totaled \$402,600 and the total project cost was \$529,735.82;
- Felton Borough- Assisted Borough with questions regarding repetitive flooded structure to be acquired, demolished, and added to Borough Park;
- Glen Rock Borough - Assisted Borough with information regarding funding for stream gauges to mitigate flooding through early warning;
- Goldsboro Borough- Assisted Borough with questions about repetitive flooding and possible project on Water Street;
- Heidelberg Township- Reviewed and commented on Township's Letter of Intent to apply for hazard mitigation assistance to address minor localized flooding;
- Hallam Borough- Provided information regarding acquisition of three properties on Frysville Road due to repeated flooding. Hazard Mitigation Grant Program application submitted by Borough;
- Hellam Township Flooding – Assisted with resident request for structure elevation and inquiry about stream Debris removal; and
- Hellam Township- Township is working with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on a study to identify measures to mitigate flooding. The study will focus on an approximately 2-mile stretch of the unnamed creek from near Spring Road, north of U.S. Route 30, to where it crosses Freysville Road, about a half-mile south of Route 462. Additionally, two properties along the creek also are getting help through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's emergency watershed program, which provides funding for streambank restoration projects after flooding disasters.

## **Plan Annual Review-**

- The Plan was available for public review and comment from December 20, 2019 to January 21, 2020. The only information received as part of this review period was a report from Dover Township of their efforts to acquire structures impacted by repetitive flooding;
- Public Comment accepted at the York County Planning Commission meeting on January 21, 2020. Questions received focused on assistance given to municipalities, loss of tax base due to acquisitions, and future uses of acquired land; and
- Staff review of the identified goals, objectives, and actions revealed that they are still applicable and not in need of change based on the recent completion of the update to the Plan. No comments were received from the Local Planning Team as part of the review.