



Northeast Oregon Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan Update

Overview

The next flood, earthquake or wildfire cannot be avoided. However, we can make a comprehensive and concentrated effort to reduce the effects of these natural forces on our economic, social and environmental stability. A Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan provides a comprehensive framework for government and the private sector to prepare for and minimize risk and impact of natural hazards.

Background

In 2007-2008 representatives from Grant County participated in the **Regional NHMP Steering Committee** which developed Grant County's section of the plan. The plan was a coordinated regional effort involving the counties of Baker, Grant, Union, and Wallowa. In May, 2013 the existing Northeast Oregon NHMP expired and will need to be replaced with **an updated 5 year plan** to maintain the region's eligibility for Federal pre-disaster mitigation project grant assistance. One of the products of an NHMP will be a list of mitigation projects to pursue with FEMA grant assistance.

This effort is focused upon a review of the region's existing NHMP for needed revisions and for the identification and prioritization of updates of the region's mitigation projects. The **Oregon Partnership for Disaster Resilience (OPDR)** out of the University of Oregon will facilitate the Steering Committee's efforts during this process. Citizen involvement is a key component in the natural hazard mitigation planning process. Citizens have the opportunity to voice their ideas, interests and concerns about the impact of natural disasters on their communities. More information can be found at:

<http://csc.uoregon.edu/opdr/current/easternoregon/northeast>

Comments and Suggestions

County and OPDR staff understand that Grant County representatives may be interested in sharing comments and ideas. We welcome the conversation. Interested people can share comments or questions by using the comment box on the following web page:

<http://csc.uoregon.edu/opdr/current/easternoregon/northeast/comments>



UNIVERSITY
OF OREGON



FEMA