**Bath Borough, Northampton County Annex**

**Hazard Mitigation Plan Points-of-Contact**

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| **Primary:** | **Alternate:** |
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**Municipal Profile**

Bath Borough is located in the western part of Northampton County. It encompasses an area of approximately 0.9 square miles, and has a population of 2,808 (2020 Census). The borough is bordered by Upper Nazareth Township to the east and East Allen Township to the north, west, and south.

The Monocacy Creek flows southward from the northwest corner of the borough south into East Allen Township. Another small stream flows into the borough from the west, just south of PA Route 248. A small pond runs parallel to PA Routes 329 / 987 to the southwest of the borough; its northern tip enters the borough’s border. Penn-Dixie Pond also enters the borough from the east, south of PA Route 248.

Bath Borough is a hub of several major roadways. PA Route 248 (Main Street / Northampton Street) crosses through the center of the borough east-west. PA Route 512 (Walnut Street) crosses through the middle of the borough north-south. PA Routes 329 and 987 share the designation of Race Street until it meets PA Route 248, when PA Route 329 ends. PA Route 987 follows Main Street to the southeast to South Chestnut Street, where it turns north and shares South Chestnut Street with PA Route 248 until that road turns east on Northampton Street. PA Route 987 continues north as Chestnut Street.

**Municipal Participation**

1. Identify municipal stakeholders to be involved in the planning process such as, floodplain administrator, public works, emergency management, engineers, planners, etc., and include their specific role in the process.

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| Bradford T. Flynn, Borough Manager  Role: Floodplain Administrator, planning, coordinating information and communicating with stakeholders | Luis E. Figueroa, Emergency Management Coordinator  Role: EMC |
| Chuck Tulley, Bath Fire Department, Chief  Role: Emergency management and fire protection service coordinator; risk and exposure assessments/planning | Ron Madison (collier’s Engineering & Design)  Role: Engineering/Planning Role: Emergency management and fire protection service coordinator, risk and exposure assessments/planning |

1. Identify community stakeholders such as; neighborhood groups, religious groups, major employers / businesses, etc., that will be informed and / or involved in the planning process and describe how they will be involved.

No identifiable groups to include at this time.

1. Describe how the public **will be engaged** in the current planning process (examples, newsletters, social media, etc.), **and how they were engaged** since the 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The borough may add information pertaining to hazard mitigation in the Winter Newsletter, social media and the borough’s website. The public has not been engaged directly since the 2018 plan.

**Compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)**

| **Topic** | **Identify source of information, if different from the one listed.** | **Additional Comments** |
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| **1. Staff Resources** | | |
| Is the Community Floodplain Administrator (FPA) or NFIP Coordinator certified? | Community FPA | Yes. The FPA is the Borough Manager; no, the Borough Manager is not certified. Open to certification process. |
| Is floodplain management an auxiliary function? | Community FPA | Unsure. Believed to be a primary function. |
| Provide an explanation of NFIP administration services (e.g., permit review, GGIS, education or outreach, inspections, engineering capability) | Community FPA | Bath Code of Ordinances No. 2014-640, which amends Chapter 172 Zoning; providing for Flood Plain Management Regulations, identifies responsible parties, obtaining a permit for any construction within a floodplain. Sets minimum requirements for construction and development within floodplains. |
| What are the barriers to running an effective NFIP program in the community, if any? | Community FPA | Failure in local succession planning; current manager was unaware of this management responsibility. |
| **2. Compliance History** | | |
| Is the community in good standing with the NFIP? | State NFIP Coordinator, FEMA NFIP Specialist, or community records | Since the adoption of Ordinance No. 2014-640, Senior Mitigation Planning Specialist, Katie Lipiecki, CFM of FEMA stated the ordinance amendment brought Bath into compliance with NFIP and FIRM. Letter CID #420717 issued August 1st, 2014. |
| Are there any outstanding compliance issues (i.e., current violations)? |  | None |
| When was the most recent Community Assistance Visits (CAV) or Community Assistance Contact (CAC)? |  | Unknown |
| Is a CAV or CAC scheduled or needed? |  | Unknown |
| **3. Regulation** | | |
| When did the community enter the NFIP? | NFIP Community Status Book | Since the adoption of Ordinance 2014-640 dated June 2. 2014. |
| Are the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) digital or paper?  How are residents assisted with mapping? | Community FPA | The Borough has physical copies of the maps located in the borough office. There also appears to be copies of the maps by CD-ROM. |
| Do floodplain regulations meet or exceed FEMA or State minimum requirements?  If so, in what ways? | Community FPA | Ordinance No. 2014-640 Section 1.2 has Abrogation and Greater Restrictions clause. |
| Describe the permitting process | Community FPA, State, FEMA NFIP | Ordinance No. 2014-640 Section 2.4 Application Procedures and Requirements. |
| **4. Insurance Summary** | | |
| How many NFIP policies are in the community?  What is the total premium and coverage? | State NFIP Coordinator or  FEMA NFIP Specialist | Unsure where to obtain this information. |
| How many claims have been paid in the community? What is the total amount of paid claims? How many substantial damage claims have there been? | FEMA NFIP or  Insurance Specialist | N/A |
| How many structures are exposed to flood risk within the community? | Community FPA or GIS Analyst | N/A |
| Describe any areas of flood risk with limited NFIP policy coverage | Community FPA or  FEMA Insurance Specialist | N/A |
| **5. Community Rating System (CRS)** | | |
| Does the community participate in CRS? | Community FPA, State, or FEMA NFIP | No, open to accepting information / training on the CRS program. |
| If so, what is the community’s CRS Class Ranking? | Flood Insurance Manual (http://www.fema.gov/floodinsurancemanual.gov) | N/A |
| What categories and activities provide CRS points and how can the Class be improved? |  | N/A |
| Does the plan include CRS planning requirements? | Community FPA, FEMA CRS Coordinator, or ISO representative | N/A |

**Community Assets**

Community assets are defined to include anything that is important to the character as well as the function of a community, and can be described in four categories, they are; people, economy, natural environment and built environment. Please identify the community assets and location under each category.

1. **People**

* Concentrations of vulnerable populations such as the elderly, physically or mentally disabled, non-English speaking, and the medically or chemically dependent.

Howard Jones Assisted Living Facility

Alexandria Manor Assisted Living Facility

* Types of visiting populations where large numbers of people are concentrated such as visitors for special events and students.

Keystone Park

Spuds N Suds Event (block-party type event)

1. **Economy**

* Major employers, primary economic sectors such as agriculture and commercial centers where losses would have a severe impact on the community.

Bath Supply

Howard Jones Assisted Living Facility

Alexandria Manor Assisted Living Facility

1. **Natural Environment**

* Those areas / features that can provide protective functions that reduce the magnitude of hazard events such as, wetlands or riparian areas, and other environmental features important to protect.

Stream tributaries throughout borough leading to Monocacy Creek

1. **Built Environment**

* Existing structures such as, concentrations of buildings that may be more vulnerable to hazards based on location, age, construction type and / or condition of use.

Borough Downtown Business Care

Old Forge Drive

Bath Supply Warehousing Site

Howard Jones Assisting Living Facility

* Infrastructure systems such as water and wastewater facilities, power utilities, transportation systems, communication systems, energy pipelines and storage.

Bath Water Authority Waste / Treatment Facility

* High potential loss facilities such as, dams, locations that house hazardous materials, military and / or civilian defense installations.

N/A

* Critical facilities such as, hospitals, medical facilities, police and fires stations, emergency operations centers, shelters, schools and airports / heliports.

Howard Jones Assisted Living Facility

Alexandria Manor Assisted Living Facility

Borough of Bath Municipal Complex

* Cultural / historical resources such as, museums, parks, stadiums, etc.

Bath Museum; future site

Steckel House (National Registry)

Bath Historic Architectural Resources Area (Downtown Bath)

Keystone Park / Pavilion

Firefighter’s Field

**Capability Assessment**

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| **Capability** | * **Regulatory** * **Tools** * **Programs** | **Status** | | | **Department /**  **Agency**  **Responsible** | **Effect on Hazard Loss Reduction:**  **-Supports**  **-Neutral**  **-Hinders** | **Change since 2018 Plan?**  **+ Positive**  **- Negative** | **Has the 2018 Plan been integrated into the Regulatory Tool/Program? If so, how?** | **How can these capabilities be expanded and improved to reduce risk?** | **Additional Comments** |
| **In Place** | **Date Adopted or Updated** | **Under Development** |
| **1. Planning & Regulatory** | Comprehensive Plan | X | 1969 |  | Nazareth Area Council of Governments / Lehigh Valley Planning Commission | N | Unknown | Unknown |  |  |
| Capital Improvement Plan | X | 2016 |  | Borough of Bath | S | Unknown | Yes. Capital Improvement Plan will address stormwater projects to mitigate flooding concerns. | In-flow of more capital cash and / or grant opportunities. |  |
| Economic Development Plan |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Continuity of Operations Plan |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Stormwater Management Plan / Ordinance | X | 1990 |  | Borough of Bath Council | N |  |  |  |  |
| Open Space Management Plan (or Parks/Rec., Greenways Plan) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Natural Resource Protection Plan |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transportation Plan |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Historic Preservation Plan | X | 1998; 2016 |  | Borough Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB); Historic District; HARB Administrator | N |  |  |  |  |
| Floodplain Management Plan |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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|  | Farmland Preservation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Evacuation Plan |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Disaster Recovery Plan | X | 2011 |  | Borough Emergency Management Coordinator | S | Positive |  |  | Revised as of 2011 |
| Hazard Mitigation Plan | X | 2018 |  | Northampton County Emergency Management Services |  |  | N/A |  |  |
| Emergency Operations Plan | X | 5/2019 |  | Borough Emergency Management Coordinator | S | Positive |  |  | Revised as of 2019 |
| Zoning Regulations | X | 5/1/1978 |  | Borough Council; Zoning Hearing Board | N |  |  |  |  |
| Floodplain Regulations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NFIP Participation | X | 2012; 2014 |  | FEMA; Bath Council | N |  | Unknown |  | Updated by Ordinance  No. 2014-640 |
| Building Code | X | 1998 |  | Borough of Bath Council |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fire Code | X | 1995 |  | Borough of Bath Council |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Capability** | * **Staff** * **Personnel** * **Resources** | **Yes** | **No** | **Department / Agency** | **Change since 2018 Plan?**  **+ Positive**  **- Negative** | **How can these capabilities be expanded and improved to reduce risk?** | **Additional Comments** |
| **2. Administrative & Technology** | Planners (with land use / land development knowledge) | X |  | 3rd party |  |  |  |
| Planners or engineers (with natural and / or human-caused hazards knowledge) | X |  | 3rd party |  |  |  |
| Engineers or professionals trained in building and / or infrastructure construction practices (including building inspectors) | X |  | 3rd party |  |  |  |
| Emergency Manager | X |  | EM Coordinator |  |  |  |
| Floodplain administrator / manager | X |  | Borough Manager |  |  |  |
| Land surveyors | X |  | 3rd party |  |  |  |
| Staff familiar with the hazards of the community | X |  |  |  |  |  |
| Personnel skilled in Geographical Information Systems (GIS) and / or FEMA’s HAZUS program | X |  | Borough Manager |  |  |  |
| Grant writers or fiscal staff to handle large / complex grants | X |  | Borough Manager |  |  |  |
| Other |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Capability** | * **Staff** * **Personnel** * **Resources** | **Yes** | **No** | **Department / Agency** | **Change since 2018 Plan?**  **+ Positive**  **- Negative** | **How can these capabilities be expanded and improved to reduce risk?** | **Additional Comments** |
| **3. Financial Resources** | Capital improvement programming |  | X |  |  |  |  |
| Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) | X |  | Northampton County |  |  |  |
| Special purposes taxes |  | X |  |  |  |  |
| Gas / Electricity utility fees |  | X |  |  |  |  |
| Water / Sewer fees |  | X | Borough Authority |  |  | Separate entity from Borough of Bath |
| Stormwater utility fees | X |  | Borough Council |  |  |  |
| Development impact fees |  | X |  |  |  |  |
| General obligation, revenue, and / or special tax bonds | X |  | Borough Council |  |  |  |
| Partnering arrangements or intergovernmental agreements |  | X |  |  |  | No official arrangements; in kind services and equipment sharing with neighboring Public Works Depts. |
| Other |  |  |  |  |  | Borough has experienced barriers to funding, staffing, and technical expertise |

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| **4. Education & Outreach** | Firewise Communities Certification |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| StormReady Certification |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Natural disaster or safety-related school programs |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ongoing public education or information programs such as, responsible water use, fire safety, household preparedness, and environmental education. | X |  |  |  |  | Barriers in funding, staffing, and technical experience for website content, newsletters are published twice a year |
| Public-private partnership initiatives addressing disaster related issues. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Local citizen groups or non-profit organizations focused on environmental protection, emergency preparedness, access and functional needs populations, etc. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other | X |  |  |  |  | Permit and forms are available through website and Open Gov portal for zoning and building applications |

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| **Capability** |  | **Degree of Capability** | | | **Change since the 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan?**  **If so, how?** | **Additional Comments** |
| **Limited** | **Moderate** | **High** |
| **5. Self – Assessment** | Planning and Regulatory |  | X |  |  |  |
| Administrative and Technical |  | X |  |  |  |
| Financial | X |  |  |  |  |
| Education and Outreach | X |  |  |  |  |

**Known or Anticipated Future Development / Redevelopment**

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| **Development /**  **Property Name** | **Type of Development** | **Number of Structures** | **Location** | **Known Hazard Zone** | **Description / Status** |
| Monocacy Heights /  Bath View Condos | Residential | <5 – up to 50 | 250 N. Walnut Street | N/A | Medium residential apartment site with possible light commercial development; or town homes |
| Residential | Residential | 1 | 215 E. Main Street | N/A | Redevelopment of former municipal building site to residential use |
| Keystone Park | Parks / Recreation | 1 | 250 Green Street | Flooding | Park improvement;  water feature |
| Firefighter’s Field | Parks / Recreation | 0 | 300 N. Chestnut Street | Flooding | Park improvement;  dog park |

**Natural & Non-Natural Event History Specific to Alburtis Borough**

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| **Type of Event and Date(s)** | **FEMA Disaster #**  **(if applicable)** | **Local Damage(s) or Loss(es)** |
| Hurricane Sandy – 10/26/2012 | DR-4099-PA | Downtown Flooding |
| Winter Storm Jonas – 1/23/2016 | DR-4267-PA | N/A |
| COVID-19 Pandemic – March, 2020 | DR-4506-PA | Emergency Protective measures to combat COVID-19 Pandemic. |
| Remnants of Hurricane Ida – August, 2022 | DR-4618-PA | Assistance to eligible individuals and families affected by this disaster. |

**2018 Municipal Action Plan Status**

| **Existing Mitigation Action**  **(from 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan)** | | **Status** | | | | | **Additional Comments** |
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| **No Progress /**  **Unknown** | **In Progress** | **Continuous** | **Completed** | **Discontinued** |
| **1** | Retrofit structures located in hazard-prone areas to protect structures from future damage, with repetitive loss and severe repetitive loss properties as priority.  Phase 1: Identify appropriate candidates for retrofitting based on cost-effectiveness versus relocation.  Phase 2: Where retrofitting is determined to be a viable option, work with property owners toward implementation of that action based on available funding from FEMA and local match availability. |  |  |  | X | X |  |
| **2** | Purchase, or relocate structures located in hazard- prone areas to protect structures from future damage, with repetitive loss and severe repetitive loss properties as priority. Phase 1: Identify appropriate candidates for relocation based on cost-effectiveness versus retrofitting.  Phase 2: Where relocation is determined to be a viable option, work with property owners toward implementation of that action based on available funding from FEMA and local match availability. |  |  |  | X |  |  |
| **3** | Maintain compliance with and good-standing in the NFIP including adoption and enforcement of floodplain management requirements (e.g. regulating all new and substantially improved construction in Special Hazard Flood Areas), floodplain identification and mapping, and flood insurance outreach to the community. Further, continue to meet and/or exceed the minimum NFIP standards and criteria through the following NFIP- related continued compliance actions identified below. |  |  |  | X |  |  |
| **4** | Conduct and facilitate community and public education and outreach for residents and businesses to include, but not be limited to, the following to promote and effect natural hazard risk reduction:  Provide and maintain links to the HMP website, and regularly post notices on the County/municipal homepage(s) referencing the HMP webpages. Prepare and distribute informational letters to flood vulnerable property owners and neighborhood associations, explaining the availability of mitigation grant funding to mitigate their properties, and instructing them on how they can learn more and implement mitigation. Use email notification systems and newsletters to better educate the public on flood insurance, the availability of mitigation grant funding, and personal natural hazard risk reduction measures.  Work with neighborhood associations, civic and business groups to disseminate information on flood insurance and the availability of mitigation grant funding. |  | X |  |  |  |  |
| **5** | Begin and/or continue the process to adopt higher regulatory standards to manage flood risk (i.e. increased freeboard, cumulative substantial damage/improvements) and sinkhole risk (e.g. carbonate bedrock standards). |  |  | X |  |  |  |
| **6** | Determine if a Community Assistance Visit (CAV) or Community Assistance Contact  (CAC) is needed, and schedule if needed. |  |  | X |  |  |  |
| **7** | Have designated NFIP Floodplain  Administrator (FPA) become a Certified Floodplain Manager through the ASFPM and/or pursue relevant continuing education training such as FEMA Benefit-Cost Analysis. |  |  | X |  |  | Current Borough Manager/Floodplain Administrator would like to obtain information on FPA certification process. |
| **8** | Participate in the Community Rating System (CRS) to further manage flood risk and reduce flood insurance premiums for NFIP policyholders. This shall start with the submission to FEMA-DHS of a Letter of Intent to join CRS, followed by the completion and submission of an application to the program once the community’s current compliance with the NFIP is established. |  |  | X |  |  | Borough has yet to engage in the Community Rating System. |
| **9** | Obtain and archive elevation certificates for NFIP compliance. |  |  | X |  |  |  |
| **10** | Continue to support the implementation, monitoring, maintenance, and updating of this Plan, as defined in Section 7.0. |  |  | X |  |  |  |
| **11** | Complete the ongoing updates of the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plans. |  |  | X |  |  |  |
| **12** | Create/enhance/maintain mutual aid agreements with neighboring communities for continuity of operations. |  |  | X |  |  |  |
| **13** | Develop and maintain capabilities to process FEMA/PEMA paperwork after disasters; qualified damage assessment personnel – Improve post-disaster capabilities – damage assessment; FEMA/PEMA paperwork compilation, submissions, record-keeping. |  |  | X |  |  |  |
| **14** | Work with regional agencies (i.e. County and PEMA) to help develop damage assessment capabilities at the local level through such things as training programs, certification of qualified individuals (e.g. Code officials, floodplain managers, engineers). |  |  | X |  |  |  |
| **15** | Install generator to the new municipal building site. The backup generator site at the new municipal building has been stubbed for natural gas and electrical service. The backup generator will provide electrical service to the municipal offices, volunteer fire department, and public works department during times of power outages. |  |  | X |  |  |  |
| **16** | Replace storm water pipes adjacent to Keystone Park Pavilion. Multi-access driveway with water drainage pipe does not carry significant water flows. The site is prone to flooding and overtopping, which has caused significant damage to the Park Pavilion in previous mitigation cycles. |  |  | X |  |  |  |
| **17** | Work to minimize tree/electric line conflicts with secondary service lines. Primary lines are/should be the responsibility of electric service provider. Borough has completed project like this along E. Main Street (from Walnut to Chestnut Streets) and Green Street. |  |  | X |  |  |  |

**Notes:**

1. Actions not carried through to the 2023 Action Plan are so noted.
2. To maintain National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) compliance, actions related to the NFIP were carried through to the 2023 Action Plan even if identified by the municipality as completed.

**2023 Mitigation Action Plan**

| **Mitigation Action** | | **Mitigation Action Category** | **Mitigation Technique Category** | **Hazard(s) Addressed** | **Priority**  **(H / M / L)** | **Estimated Cost** | **Potential Funding** | **Lead Agency / Department** | **Implementation Schedule** | **Applies to New and / or Existing Structures** |
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| **1** | Retrofit structures located in hazard-prone areas to protect structures from future damage, with repetitive loss and severe repetitive loss properties as priority.  Phase 1: Identify appropriate candidates for retrofitting based on cost-effectiveness versus relocation.  Phase 2: Where retrofitting is determined to be a viable option, work with property owners toward implementation of that action based on available funding from FEMA and local match availability. | 1 | Structure and  Infrastructure | Flood,  Windstorm/  Tornado,  Winter  Storm,  Earthquake | High | High | FEMA  Mitigation Grant  Programs and local  budget (or property  owner) for cost share | Municipality  (via Municipal  Engineer/NFIP Floodplain  Administrator) with support from PEMA,  FEMA | Long-term  (depending upon funding) | Existing |
| **2** | Purchase, or relocate structures located in hazard- prone areas to protect structures from future damage, with repetitive loss and severe repetitive loss properties as priority. Phase 1: Identify appropriate candidates for relocation based on cost-effectiveness versus retrofitting.  Phase 2: Where relocation is determined to be a viable option, work with property owners toward implementation of that action based on available funding from FEMA and local match availability. | 2 | Structure and  Infrastructure | Flood | High | High | FEMA  Mitigation Grant  Programs and local  budget (or property  owner) for cost share | Municipality  (via Municipal  Engineer/NFIP Floodplain  Administrator) with support from PEMA,  FEMA | Long-term  (depending upon [=-unding | Existing |
| **3** | Maintain compliance with and good-standing in the NFIP including adoption and enforcement of floodplain management requirements (e.g. regulating all new and substantially improved construction in Special Hazard Flood Areas), floodplain identification and mapping, and flood insurance outreach to the community. Further, continue to meet and/or exceed the minimum NFIP standards and criteria through the following NFIP- related continued compliance actions identified below. | 3 | Local Plans and  Regulations | Flood,  Windstorm/  Tornado,  Winter  Storm | High | Low -  Medium | Municipal Budget | Municipality  (via Municipal  Engineer/NFIP Floodplain  Administrator) with support from PEMA,  ISO FEMA | Ongoing | New &  Existing |
| **4** | Conduct and facilitate community and public education and outreach for residents and businesses to include, but not be limited to, the following to promote and effect natural hazard risk reduction:  Provide and maintain links to the HMP website, and regularly post notices on the County/municipal homepage(s) referencing the HMP webpages. Prepare and distribute informational letters to flood vulnerable property owners and neighborhood associations, explaining the availability of mitigation grant funding to mitigate their properties, and instructing them on how they can learn more and implement mitigation. Use email notification systems and newsletters to better educate the public on flood insurance, the availability of mitigation grant funding, and personal natural hazard risk reduction measures.  Work with neighborhood associations, civic and business groups to disseminate information on flood insurance and the availability of mitigation grant funding. | 4 | Education and  Awareness | All Hazards | High | Low-  Medium | Municipal Budget | Municipality with support  from Planning Partners,  PEMA, FEMA | Short-term | N/A |
| **5** | Begin and/or continue the process to adopt higher regulatory standards to manage flood risk (i.e. increased freeboard, cumulative substantial damage/improvements) and sinkhole risk (e.g. carbonate bedrock standards). | 5 | Local Plans and  Regulations | Flood;  Subsidence/ Sinkholes | High | Low | Municipal Budget | Municipality  (via Municipal  Engineer/NFIP Floodplain  Administrator) with support from PEMA,  FEMA | Short-term | New &  Existing |
| **6** | Determine if a Community Assistance Visit (CAV) or Community Assistance Contact  (CAC) is needed, and schedule if needed. | 3 | Local Plans and  Regulations | Flood,  Windstorm/  Tornado,  Winter  Storm | High | Low | Municipal Budget | NFIP  Floodplain  Administrator with support  from PA DEP, PEMA, FEMA | Short-term | N/A |
| **7** | Have designated NFIP Floodplain  Administrator (FPA) become a Certified Floodplain Manager through the ASFPM and/or pursue relevant continuing education training such as FEMA Benefit-Cost Analysis. | 6 | Local Plans and  Regulations | Flood,  Windstorm/  Tornado,  Winter  Storm | Medium | Low | Municipal Budget | NFIP  Floodplain  Administrator | Short-term (DOF) | N/A |
| **8** | Participate in the Community Rating System (CRS) to further manage flood risk and reduce flood insurance premiums for NFIP policyholders. This shall start with the submission to FEMA-DHS of a Letter of Intent to join CRS, followed by the completion and submission of an application to the program once the community’s current compliance with the NFIP is established. | 7 | Local Plans and  Regulations | Flood,  Windstorm/  Tornado,  Winter  Storm | High | Low | Municipal Budget | NFIP  Floodplain  Administrator with support  from PADEP,  PEMA, FEMA | Short-term | N/A |
| **9** | Obtain and archive elevation certificates for NFIP compliance. | 8 | Local Plans and  Regulations | Flood,  Windstorm/  Tornado,  Winter  Storm | Low | Low | Municipal Budget | NFIP  Floodplain  Administrator | Ongoing | N/A |
| **10** | Continue to support the implementation, monitoring, maintenance, and updating of this  Plan, as defined in Section 7.0. | 9 | All  Categories | All Hazards | High | Low – High (for  5-year update) | Municipal Budget, possibly  FEMA  Mitigation  Grant  Funding for 5-year update | Municipality (via mitigation planning point of contacts)  with support  from Planning  Partners  (through their  Points of  Contact), PEMA | Ongoing | New &  Existing |
| **11** | Complete the ongoing updates of the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plans. | 10 | Local Plans and  Regulations | All Hazards | Medium | Low | Municipal Budget | Municipality with support from PEMA | Ongoing | New &  Existing |
| **12** | Create/enhance/maintain mutual aid agreements with neighboring communities for continuity of operations. | 11 | All  Categories | All Hazards | Medium | Low | Municipal Budget | Municipality with support from  Surrounding municipalities and County | Ongoing | New &  Existing |
| **13** | Develop and maintain capabilities to process FEMA/PEMA paperwork after disasters; qualified damage assessment personnel – Improve post-disaster capabilities – damage assessment; FEMA/PEMA paperwork compilation, submissions, record-keeping. | 12 | Education and  Awareness | All Hazards | Low | Medium | Municipal Budget | Municipality with support  from County,  PEMA, FEMA | Short-term | N/A |
| **14** | Work with regional agencies (i.e. County and PEMA) to help develop damage assessment capabilities at the local level through such things as training programs, certification of qualified individuals (e.g. Code officials, floodplain managers, engineers). | 13 | Education and  Awareness | All Hazards | Medium | Medium | Municipal  Budget,  FEMA  HMA grant programs | Municipality with support  from County,  PEMA | Short-, long-term (DOF) | N/A |
| **15** | Install generator to the new municipal building site. The backup generator site at the new municipal building has been stubbed for natural gas and electrical service. The backup generator will provide electrical service to the municipal offices, volunteer fire department, and public works department during times of power outages. | 17 | Structure and  Infrastructure | All Hazards | High | Medium | Borough budget/ grants | Borough | 2019 | Existing |
| **16** | Replace storm water pipes adjacent to Keystone Park Pavilion. Multi-access driveway with water drainage pipe does not carry significant water flows. The site is prone to flooding and overtopping, which has caused significant damage to the Park Pavilion in previous mitigation cycles. | 15 | Structure and  Infrastructure | Flood | Medium | Medium | Borough budget/ grants | Borough | 2019 | Existing |
| **17** | Work to minimize tree/electric line conflicts with secondary service lines. Primary lines are/should be the responsibility of electric service provider. Borough has completed project like this along E. Main Street (from Walnut to Chestnut Streets) and Green Street. | 21 | Structure and  Infrastructure | Windstorm/  Tornado,  Winter  Storm,  Utility  Interruption | High | $3,000 to  $7,000 annually | Borough  General Fund | Public  Works/Private  - Independent Tree Service  Contractors | Spring and/or fall of each year | New &  Existing |

**Notes:**

***Estimated Costs:***

* Where actual project costs have been reasonable estimated: Low = < $10,000; Medium = $10,000 to $100,000; High = > $100,000;
* Where actual project costs cannot reasonably be established at this time:

**Low** = Possible to fund under existing budget. Project is part of, or can be part of an existing on-going program.

**Medium** = Could budget for under existing work plan, but would require a reapportionment of the budget or a budget amendment,

or the cost of the project would have to be spread over multiple years.

**High** = Would require an increase in revenue via an alternative source (i.e., bonds, grants, fee increases) to implement. Existing

funding levels are not adequate to cover the costs of the proposed project.

***Potential Funding (FEMA HMA):***

* **BRIC =** Building Resilient Infrastructure andCommunities
* **FMA** = Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program
* **HMGP** = Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
* **HSGP** = Homeland Security Grant Program
* **EMPG** = Emergency Management Performance Grant

***Implementation Schedule:***

* **Short Term** = 1 to 5 years
* **Long Term** = 5 years or greater
* **DOF** = Depending on Funding

***Applies to New and/or Existing Structures:***

* **N/A** = Not Applicable