

Wilson Borough, Northampton County Annex

Hazard Mitigation Plan Points-of-Contact

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Municipal Profile

Wilson Borough is located in the southeastern part of Northampton County. It encompasses an area of approximately 1.2 square miles, and has a population of 8,259 (2020 Census). The borough is bordered by; Easton and West Easton Borough to the east; Forks Township to the north; Palmer Township to the west; and Glendon Borough to the south.

The Bushkill Creek forms a small part of the borough's northern border with Forks Township. Likewise, the Lehigh River forms a portion of the borough's southern border with Glendon Borough.

Wilson Borough has several major east-west roads through it. US Route 22 crosses the borough in the northern end. Hackett Avenue and Wood Avenue enter from Palmer Township in the northern part of the borough, and merge just north of US Route 22. South of Wood Avenue is PA Route 248 (Northampton Street), with Butler Street farther south. Freemansburg Avenue enters the borough in the south and travels northeast to join Butler Street in the eastern part of the borough.

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.

Jill A. Garcia, Borough Manager
Role: Coordinate hazard mitigation

Eric Flowers, Director of Public Works
Role: respond to damage from hazard events

Joseph Sipel, Fire Chief / Deputy EMC
Role: Respond to hazard events

Jeff Lewert, Public Works Foreman / Local EMC
Role: Respond to hazard events

T&M Associates – Monica Wall, Borough Engineer
Role: Review subdivision and land development plans for compliance with floodplain regulations

2. 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.

None

3. 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.

Current: via mailer

Past: Same

Compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)

Topic	Identify source of information if different from the one listed.	Additional Comments
1. Staff Resources		
Is the Community Floodplain Administrator (FPA) or NFIP Coordinator certified?	Community FPA	The Floodplain Administrator is not currently certified.
Is floodplain management an auxiliary function?	Community FPA	
Provide an explanation of NFIP administration services (e.g., permit review, GGIS, education or outreach, inspections, engineering capability)	Community FPA	NFIP administration services include permit review & inspections.
What are the barriers to running an effective NFIP program in the community, if any?	Community FPA	Funding is a potential barrier. Please note – there are only 2 NFIP policies in Wilson Borough.
2. Compliance History		
Is the community in good standing with the NFIP?	State NFIP Coordinator, FEMA NFIP Specialist, or community records	Yes
Are there any outstanding compliance issues (i.e., current violations)?		There are no outstanding compliance issues.
When was the most recent Community Assistance Visits (CAV) or Community Assistance Contact (CAC)?		The date of the most recent CAV or CAC is unknown.
Is a CAV or CAC scheduled or needed?		A CAV is not needed or scheduled due to the small area of the Borough physically located in the SFHA.
3. Regulation		
When did the community enter the NFIP?	NFIP Community Status Book	9/13/1974
Are the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) digital or paper? How are residents assisted with mapping?	Community FPA	FIRM's are digital. The Borough can search for individual properties by "search by address" on the FEMA website.
Do floodplain regulations meet or exceed FEMA or State minimum requirements? If so, in what ways?	Community FPA	Wilson Borough's floodplain regulations meet FEMA requirements. The floodplain ordinance was updated in 2014.
Describe the permitting process	Community FPA, State, FEMA NFIP	Permitting is administered through the Borough's Floodplain Administrator.

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

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	As of 9/22/2023 – 0 policies & \$0 in premiums
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	As of 9/22/2023 – 0 claims & \$0 paid to claims
How many structures are exposed to flood risk within the community?	Community FPA or GIS Analyst	Three structures are located in the SFHA.
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	Wilson Borough is not eligible for CRS.
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.

There are no concentrations of vulnerable populations located in the SFHA in Wilson Borough. Outside of the SFHA, concentrations of vulnerable populations include Easton Hospital, New Eastwood Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center, Antonian Towers and the Wilson Manor Apartments.

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

There are no types of visiting populations located in the SFHA in Wilson Borough. Outside of the SFHA, visitors attend special events at Wilson Area School District facilities.

2. Economy

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

There are no major employers, primary economic sectors and/or commercial centers located within the SFHA in Wilson Borough. Outside of the SFHA, major employers and commercial centers include Easton Hospital, shopping centers along 25th Street, and the commercial businesses throughout Wilson Borough.

3. 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.

There is undeveloped land within the SFHA along the Lehigh River. Only 600 LF of the Lehigh River is located within Wilson Borough.

4. 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.

There are only three (3) structures located within the SFHA in Wilson Borough. Outside of the SFHA, most of the residential housing in the Borough is dense and constructed 75 to 100 years ago.

Community Assets – *continued*

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

Only 500 LF of Lehigh Drive is located within the SFHA in Wilson Borough.

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

There are no high potential loss facilities located within the SFHA in Wilson Borough.

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

There are no critical facilities located within the SFHA in Wilson Borough. Outside of the SFHA, critical facilities include Wilson Borough Police Department, Wilson Borough Fire Department, St. Luke's - Easton Hospital, and the public schools located within Wilson Borough.

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

There are no cultural / historic resources located within the SFHA in Wilson Borough. Outside of the SFHA, cultural / historic resources include Meuser Park & Pool, Mary Meuser Library, Wilson High School Stadium, Fisk Field, WAIS Fields, Liberty Park and various historic monuments throughout the Borough

Capability Assessment

Capability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Regulatory ✓ Tools ✓ Programs 	Status			Department / Agency Responsible	Effect on Hazard Loss Reduction: -Supports -Neutral -Hinders	Change since 2024 Plan? + Positive - Negative	Has the 2024 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									
	Capital Improvement Plan									
	Economic Development Plan									
	Continuity of Operations Plan									
	Stormwater Management Plan / Ordinance	X	2007		Borough Engineer	S	+			Updated 2007
	Open Space Management Plan (or Parks/Rec., Greenways Plan)									
	Natural Resource Protection Plan									
	Transportation Plan									
	Historic Preservation Plan									
	Floodplain Management Plan									
	Farmland Preservation									
	Evacuation Plan									
	Disaster Recovery Plan									
	Hazard Mitigation Plan	X	11/2018		County Emergency Management	S	+	N/A		
	Emergency Operations Plan	X	1/2024		Local EMC	S	+			
	Zoning Regulations	X	12/2012		Code Office	S	+			
	Floodplain Regulations	X	2014		Code Office	S	+			Updated 2014
	NFIP Participation	X			Borough Manager	S	+			
	Building Code	X	1/2007		Code Office	S	+			
	Fire Code	X	8/2009		Fire Dept.					
	Other									

Capability Assessment – continued

Capability	✓ Staff ✓ Personnel ✓ Resources	Yes	No	Department / Agency	Change since 2024 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		Boro Manager	No		
	Planners or engineers (with natural and / or human caused hazards knowledge)	X		Code Office	No		
	Engineers or professionals trained in building and / or infrastructure construction practices (including building inspectors)	X		Local EMC	No		
	Emergency Manager	X		Code Office	No		
	Floodplain administrator / manager						
	Land surveyors	X		Boro Manager	No		
	Staff familiar with the hazards of the community						
	Personnel skilled in Geographical Information Systems (GIS) and / or FEMA's HAZUS program	X		Boro Engineer	No		
	Grant writers or fiscal staff to handle large / complex grants	X		Boro Manager	No		
	Other						

Capability		Yes	No	Department / Agency	Change since 2024 Plan? + Positive - Negative	How can these capabilities be expanded and improved to reduce risk?	Additional Comments
3. Financial Resources	Capital improvement programming						
	Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)	X		Boro Engineer	No		
	Special purposes taxes						
	Gas / Electricity utility fees						
	Water / Sewer fees						
	Stormwater utility fees						
	Development impact fees						
	General obligation, revenue, and / or special tax bonds						
	Partnering arrangements or intergovernmental agreements						
	Other						

Capability Assessment – continued

Capability	✓ Program ✓ Organization	Yes	No	Department / Agency	Change since 2024 Plan? + Positive - Negative	How can these capabilities be expanded and improved to reduce risk?	Additional Comments
4. Education & Outreach	Firewise Communities Certification		X				
	StormReady Certification		X				
	Natural disaster or safety-related school programs		X				
	Ongoing public education or information programs such as, responsible water use, fire safety, household preparedness, and environmental education.	X		Borough Manager	No		
	Public-private partnership initiatives addressing disaster related issues.		X				
	Local citizen groups or non-profit organizations focused on environmental protection, emergency preparedness, access and functional needs populations, etc.		X				
	Other						

Capability		Degree of Capability			Change since the 2024 Hazard Mitigation Plan? If so, how?	Additional Comments
		Limited	Moderate	High		
5. Self – Assessment	Planning and Regulatory			X	No Change	
	Administrative and Technical			X	No Change	
	Financial	X			No Change	
	Education and Outreach			X	No Change	

Known or Anticipated Future Development / Redevelopment

Development / Property Name	Type of Development	Number of Structures	Location	Known Hazard Zone	Description / Status
Dixie Building	Residential / Commercial	1	315 South 24 th Street	No Hazard Zone	Site design is in progress
Old Pfizer property	Commercial	1	1520 Wood Avenue	Part of property in SFHA	Site design is in progress

Natural & Non-Natural Event History Specific to Borough of Wilson

Type of Event and Date(s)	FEMA Disaster # (if applicable)	Local Damage(s) or Loss(es)
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
		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					There are no repetitive loss properties in Wilson Borough.
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					There are no repetitive loss properties in Wilson Borough.
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		The Borough's floodplain ordinance was updated in 2014. Action carried through to the 2024 Action Plan.
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 & 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			The Borough's homepage has been updated to include a link to the Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP).

2018 Municipal Action Plan Status – continued

Existing Mitigation Action (from 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan)		Status					Additional Comments
		No Progress / Unknown	In Progress	Continuous	Completed	Discontinued	
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		The Borough's floodplain ordinance was updated in 2014. Action carried through to the 2024 Action Plan.
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				
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	Wilson Borough is not eligible to participate in the CRS. Action carried through to the 2018 Action Plan.
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				

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.

2024 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
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.		Structure & Infrastructure	Flood	High	High	FEMA Mitigation Grant Programs and local budget (or property owner) for cost share	Municipality (via Municipal Engineer/NFIP Floodplain Administrator) w/ support from PEMA, FEMA	Long-term (depending on 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 & Infrastructure	Flood	High	High	FEMA Mitigation Grant Programs and local budget (or property owner) for cost share	Municipality (via Municipal Engineer/NFIP Floodplain Administrator) w/ support from PEMA, FEMA	Long-term (depending on funding)	Existing

2024 Mitigation Action Plan – continued

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
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 & Regulations	Flood	High	Low - Medium	Municipal Budget	Municipality (via Municipal Engineer/NFIP Floodplain Administrator) w/ support from PEMA, ISO FEMA	Ongoing	New & Existing

2024 Mitigation Action Plan – continued

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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 & Awareness	All Hazards	High	Low-Medium	Municipal Budget	Municipality w/ support	Short-term	N/A

2024 Mitigation Action Plan – continued

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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 & Regulations	Flood; Subsidence/ Sinkholes	High	Low	Municipal Budget	Municipality (via Municipal Engineer/NFIP Floodplain Administrator) w/ 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 & Regulations	Flood	Medium	Low	Municipal Budget	NFIP Floodplain Administrator w/ 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 & Regulations	Flood	High	Low	Municipal Budget	NFIP Floodplain Administrator	Short-term (depending on funding)	N/A

2024 Mitigation Action Plan – continued

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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 & Regulations	Flood	Medium	Low	Municipal Budget	NFIP Floodplain Administrator w/ support from PA DEP, PEMA, FEMA	Short-term	N/A
9	Obtain and archive elevation certificates for NFIP compliance.	8	Local plans & Regulations	Flood	High	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) w/ 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 & Regulations	All Hazards	High	Low	Municipal Budget	Municipality w/ support from PEMA	Ongoing	New & Existing

2024 Mitigation Action Plan – continued

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
12	Create/enhance/maintain mutual aid agreements with neighboring communities for continuity of operations.	11	All Categories	All Hazards	High	Low	Municipal Budget	Municipality w/ 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 & Awareness	All Hazards	Medium	Medium	Municipal Budget	Municipality w/ 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 & Awareness	All Hazards	Medium	Medium	Municipal Budget, FEMA HMA grant programs	Municipality w/ support from County, PEMA	Short-, long-term (depending on funding)	N/A

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):

- **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