

Hazard Mitigation-any sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk to human life and property from hazards.

As the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency updates our state's Hazard Mitigation Plan, we would like to know your thoughts on ways to be better prepared for and respond to natural disasters. Please complete this survey and leave it in the suggestion box provided at this conference.

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1. A. Which county do you live in?

- B. Your Agency: _____
2. Which natural hazards concern you most? (check all that apply)
- Hurricane
 - Tornado
 - Extreme winter weather
 - Earthquake
 - Dam or Levee failure
 - Flood
 - Wildfire
 - Other _____
3. Which warning methods work best for You before an emergency? (check all That apply)
- Sirens
 - Radio
 - Telephone
 - Other _____
 - Television
 - Cell Phone
4. Notification before an emergency Is good. I always know what to do to protect myself and others.
- Strongly agree
 - Somewhat agree
 - Agree
 - Somewhat disagree
 - Strongly disagree
5. When evacuation notices are posted I always "get out."
- Strongly agree
 - Somewhat agree
 - Agree
 - Somewhat disagree
 - Strongly disagree
6. After an emergency, what are your greatest concerns? (check all that apply)
- Caring for my family
 - Attending to the elderly/disabled
 - Finding food and shelter
 - Protecting pets/livestock
 - Protecting home/property
7. After an emergency, which communication method works best for you?
- Radio
 - Telephone
 - Other _____
 - Television
 - Cell Phone
8. I need more information on the following: (check all that apply)
- Preparedness kits for self-sufficiency
 - Evacuation routes
 - Building safer structures/homes
 - Utilities
 - Available government assistance
 - Other _____

Please complete questions 9-12 on the reverse side of this form

9. Circle the appropriate response to indicate which capabilities (e.g., tools, policies, programs) have proven to be most effective for implementing local mitigation actions in your community or region. If your community does not have the capability in place, please indicate your opinion on its effectiveness for mitigation if it were to be adopted.



Local Mitigation Capability	Least Effective			Most Effective
	1	2	3	4
Floodplain ordinance/NFIP* participation	1	2	3	4
Zoning	1	2	3	4
Subdivision ordinance	1	2	3	4
Stormwater management plan/ ordinance	1	2	3	4
Building code	1	2	3	4
Comprehensive plan	1	2	3	4
Emergency operations plan	1	2	3	4
Capital improvement plan	1	2	3	4
Geographic Information Systems (GIS) program	1	2	3	4
Public information/education programs	1	2	3	4
Local/regional emergency planning committee	1	2	3	4
Other:	1	2	3	4

*National Flood Insurance Program

10. What are some manmade hazards that concern you?

11. What are the challenges or weaknesses in hazard mitigation capabilities in your region(s)?
(list all that apply)

12. What improvement opportunities do you see for local capabilities?

