

# Why Plan?

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# What is Mitigation?

"Mitigation is any sustained action taken to eliminate or reduce the long-term risk to human life and property from natural and technological hazards"







# **Break the Cycle**





# Why Do We Mitigate?





#### In Wisconsin

- \$3 billion in Disaster-related damages last 3 decades
- 12 Federal Disaster
   Declarations in the 90's
   compared to 6 in the 80's
- 2000, 2001, two in 2002, 2004, 2007, 2008, two in 2010, 2011, 2012
- 2 snow emergencies (2000 and 2008)



# **WEM Hazard Mitigation**

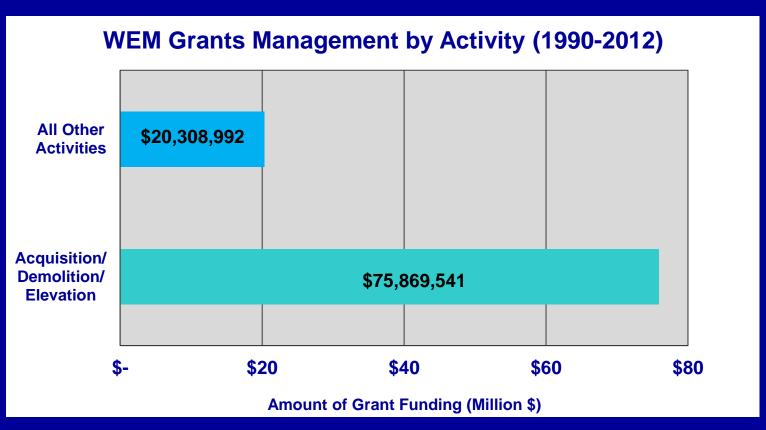
- Over \$110 million in last 21 years through HMGP/FMA/PDM
- Acquisition and Demolition
- Floodproofing and elevation
- Relocation
- Wind Retrofit
- Safe Rooms
- River Gauges
- NOAA Weather Radios
- Mitigation of utilities
- Education
- Structural (detention ponds, stormwater management, etc.)
- All Hazard Mitigation Plans







#### **HMA Project Highlights**



- 698 property acquisitions
- 43 structures floodproofed and/or retrofit
- 25 structures elevated
- 1 structure relocated



# Value of Mitigation





# For every \$1 spent on mitigation, \$4 is saved in future damages.

(Per the National Institute of Building Sciences -2005)



#### **Loss Avoidance**

# Evaluating Losses Avoided through Acquisition Projects, October 2010

- City of Wauwatosa
  - Actual event data and losses avoided
  - Project Cost: \$716,837
  - Losses Avoided: \$1,059,101
  - ROI: 148%



#### **Loss Avoidance**

- City of Milwaukee, Villages of Oak Creek and Brown Deer
  - HAZUS modeling and are based on a one-time, 100year flood event
  - Project Costs: \$2,237,562
  - Losses Avoided: \$1,096,412
  - ROI: 49%
  - ROI will increase with subsequent events



# **Examples of Mitigation**





# **Acquisition/Demolition**



Communities acquire land, demolish structures and keep the land in open space designation

**Images from Darlington, WI** 



#### **Elevation**



Elevation raises a structure out of the floodplain. Wisconsin has specific regulations to follow with elevation projects. See DNR for more information.

**Image from Soldiers Grove, WI** 



# Floodwall



Floodwalls can prevent water from inundating structures that cannot be elevated, relocated, or demolished.

**Image from Darlington, WI** 



# **Community Safe Room**



Community Safe Rooms built to FEMA-361 standards can withstand winds up to 250 MPH

**Image from Town of Dunn, WI** 



### **Stormwater Detention**

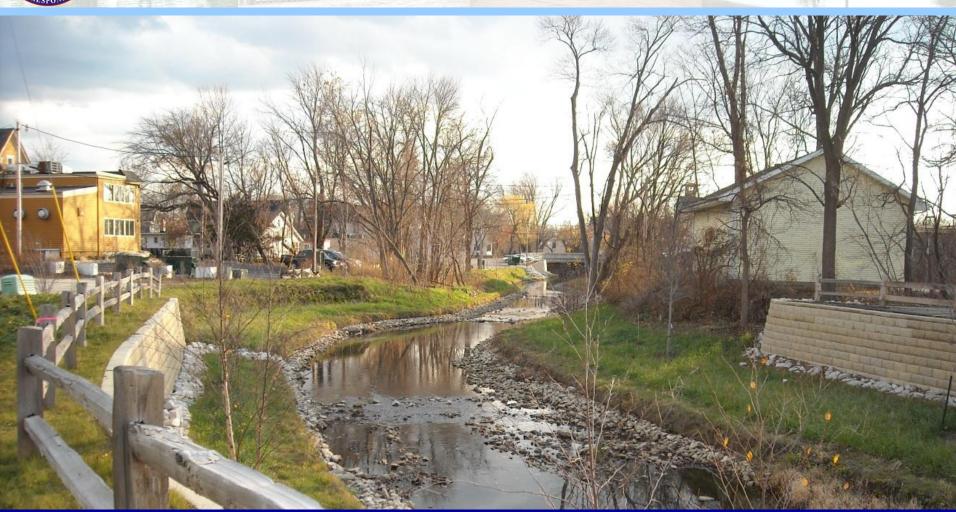


Detention ponds can store storm water runoff, decreasing flash flooding in urban areas.

Image from MMSD Stormwater Detention Project (Wauwatosa, WI)



### Stormwater



Stream restoration allows watersheds to better manage flooding

Image from Thiensville, WI



# **River Warning Systems**



River warning systems installed on conservation dams to warn county officials about expected dam breaching.

**Images from Vernon County** 



# **Other Projects**





**Mobile Home Tie-Downs** 

- Wind Retrofit Guide for Residential Buildings
  FEMA P-804 / December 2010
- Storage shed located away from home.

  Scattered trees attached.

  Scattered trees within 30 ft of structures.

  Avoid outdoor burning; recycle mulch and compost when possible.

  Driveway accessible with address visible.

  Thin and prune coniferous trees.

  Wood pile, fuel tanks and other burnable materials 30 ft from structures.

  30 ft Grass green and mowed.

  70 ft

  Vegetation mowed 100 ft from any structure.

**Proper Landscaping** 

- Raise appliances and utilities
- Install back-flow valves
- Retrofit for wind resistance
- Education and Public Awareness
- INSURANCE (flood and sewer)
- Land use planning



# **Benefits of Mitigation**

- Protect the health/safety of citizens
- Preserve or expand tax base
- Attract or retain business/industry
- Revitalize a depressed area







# **Benefits of Mitigation**

- Enhance recreation and tourism
  - Parks
  - > Trails
- Increase
   Community Pride & improve quality of life
- Save Tax Dollars







# **Mitigation Planning**





## **Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000**

- Public Law 106-390 signed into law 10/30/00
- Establishes a national disaster hazard mitigation program
  - Section 203:Pre-Disaster MitigationProgram
  - Section 322: Mitigation Planning Requirement







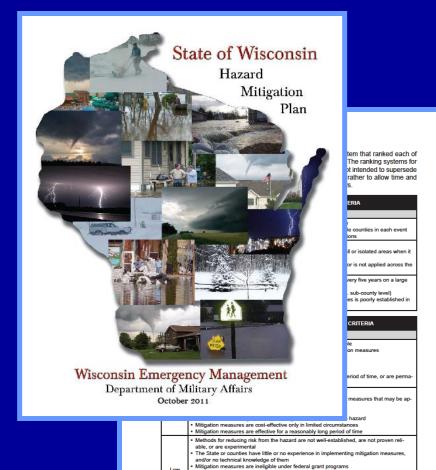
#### Vision of DMA 2000

- To reduce disaster losses thru pre-disaster mitigation planning by pre-identifying, cost-effective mitigation.
- Mitigation planning would then streamline and speed up the recovery process





# **Mitigation Planning**



- Describe actions to mitigate hazards, risks, and vulnerabilities
- Establish strategy to implement those actions
- Pre-identify projects to ensure comprehensive, integrated approach to hazard reduction

sive compared to the magnitude of the damages caused by the hazard
The long-term effectiveness of the measure is not known, or is known to be relatively be

There is a very limited range of mitigation measures for the hazard, usually only one fea sible alternative

The mitigation measures have not been proven cost-effective and are likely to be expen



## **Local/Tribal Mitigation Plan Criteria**

- Local Planning 44 CFR Part 201.6
- Tribal Planning 44 CFR Part 201.7
- Components
  - Planning Process
  - Risk Assessment
  - Mitigation Strategy
  - > Plan Maintenance Process
  - Plan Adoption
  - Plan Review

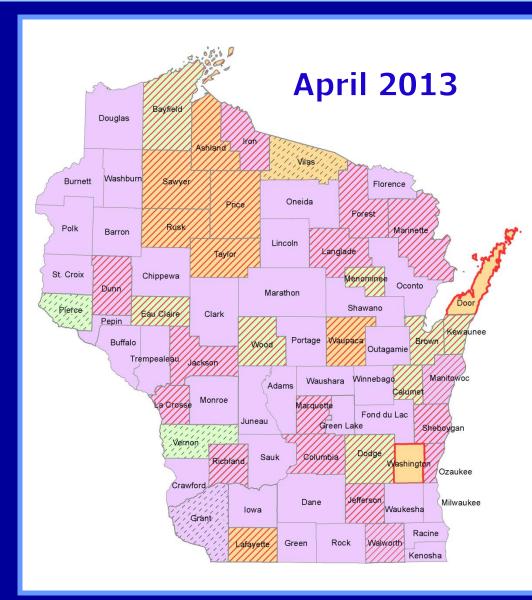


#### **Planning Deadlines**

- Must have an approved All Hazards
   Mitigation Plan to receive PDM, HMGP,
   FMA, SRL (exception RFC)
- Local Plans have to be reviewed, updated, and re-approved every 5 years



#### **Hazard Mitigation Planning in WI**



#### **Single Jurisdiction Plans:**

Village of Avoca, Iowa County - Approved
City of Crandon, Forest County - Approved
City of Darlington, Lafayette County - Approved, Updating
City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire County - Approved
City of Milwaukee, Milwaukee County - Approved
City of Sheboygan, Sheboygan County - Approved
City of Superior, Douglas County - Approved

#### Tribal Plans:

Forest County Potawatomi - Approved Ho Chunk - Approved, Updating Menominee Nation - Expired, Updating Oneida - Approved Red Cliff Band Chippewa - New Plan Stockbridge-Munsee - Approved

#### **University Plans:**

University of Wisconsin-Madison - New Plan University of Wisconsin-River Falls - Approved, Updating





#### **Planning Status**

- Dodge County: Plan expired 3/7/12; update in process
- Fond du Lac County: Plan expires 6/22/15
- Milwaukee County: Plan expires 6/11/17
- Ozaukee County: Plan expires 3/18/14; update at FEMA for approval
- Sheboygan County: Plan expires 11/7/13; update in process



#### **Planning Status**

- Washington: Has no plan
- Waukesha County: Plan expires 3/15/16
- City of Milwaukee: Plan expires 6/11/17
- City of Sheboygan: Plan expires 8/30/17

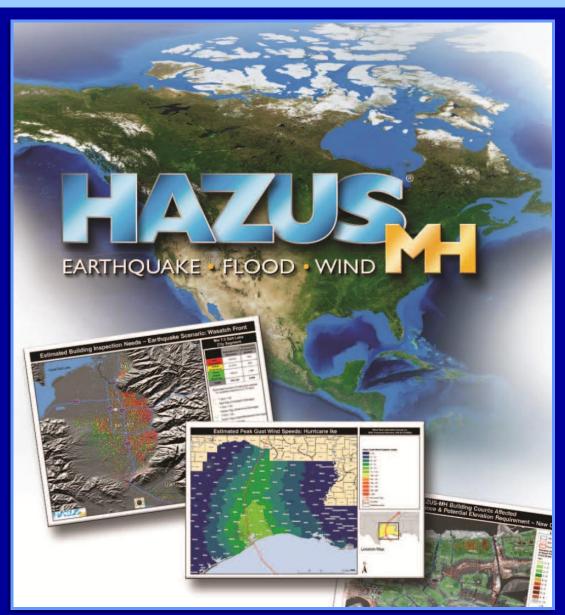


#### **Mitigation Actions**

Mitigation actions identified through RiskMAP process need to be coordinated with the county hazard mitigation planning process.



#### HAZUS-MH



- FEMA's standardized risk assessment methodology to estimate potential losses from flood, wind, and earthquake hazards
- GIS-based software
  - Interfaces with ESRI
- Free to download
- Version 2.1 (2012)
  - Updated damage/loss functions
  - Hazard-specific data updated



#### Wisconsin HAZUS Risk Assessment

- FFY 07 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant
- Coordination with Land Information and Computer Graphics Facility (LICGF) at UW – Madison and The Polis Center at Indiana University – Purdue University at Indianapolis (IUPUI)
- State wide riverine runs for all 72 counties and coastal runs for counties along Lake Superior and Lake Michigan
- Uses Digital Elevation Maps (DEM)
  - DFIRMs where available
  - Better the data, better the ending product



Land Information & Computer Graphics Facility





#### **HAZUS-MH WI Risk Assessment**

- Results were a 100-year flood analysis for each county
- Data estimates are derived from census data incorporated into HAZUS



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	Estimated	Total	Total	Total	Building

**Building** 

**Exposure X** 

1000

\$222,488

\$6,950,225

**\$757,459** 

\$470,664

\$2,024,873

\$627,954

\$26,888,748

\$37,942,411

**Loss X 1000** 

\$10,306

\$158,492

**\$7,856** 

\$8,638

**\$73,478** 

\$13,646

\$188,061

\$460,477

**Economic** 

Loss X

\$2,506

\$38,671

**\$1,665** 

**\$932** 

\$19,549

\$1,851

\$115,171

\$180,345

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**Damaged** 

**Buildings** 

0

34

0

3

0

0

**551** 

588

**Total** 

**Buildings** 

9

1,778

34

**157** 

269

**74** 

117,741

120,062

**Occupancy** 

**Agricultural** 

**Commercial** 

**Education** 

**Government** 

**Industrial** 

**Religious/Non-**

Residential

**Total** 

**Profit** 



### **Public Assistance Program**



Incorporate costeffective mitigation measures when repairing damaged public facilities.





# Unified Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program



**Hazard Mitigation Grant Program** 

**Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program** 

Flood Mitigation Assistance Program

**Repetitive Flood Claims Program** 

**Severe Repetitive Loss Program** 



# **Eligible Sub-Applicants**

### **Program Name Entity** FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE MITIGATION FLOOD CLAIMS **State Agencies Tribal Governments Local Governments Private Non-Profit Organizations (PNPs)**



# **Cost Sharing**

Programs	Mitigation Activity Grant (Percent of Federal/Non- Federal Share)	Management Costs (Percent of Federal/Non- Federal Share)	
		Grantee	Sub-Grantee
HMGP	75/25	100/0	-/- *
PDM	75/25	75/25	75/25
PDM – Sub-grantee is a small impoverished community	90/10	75/25	90/10
PDM – Tribal grantee is small impoverished community	90/10	90/10	90/10
FMA	75/25	75/25	75/25
FMA – severe repetitive loss property with Repetitive Loss Strategy	90/10	90/10	90/10
RFC	100/0	100/0	100/0
SRL	75/25	75/25	75/25
SRL – with Repetitive Loss Strategy	90/10	90/10	90/10



# Requirements

- Participating in the NFIP and in good standing
- Cost-Beneficial
- Environmentally Sound
- Considered other alternatives
- Best alternative
- Independently solve the problem
- Plan requirement (except RFC)





# **Mitigation Program Priorities**

- Substantially Damaged Properties
- Severe Repetitive Loss and Repetitive Loss Properties





- Dodge County: None
- Fond du Lac County: 5 RLP
- Milwaukee County: 251 RLP
- Ozaukee County: 25 RLP
- Sheboygan County: 1 RLP
- Washington County: 4 RLP and 2 SRL
- Waukesha County: 27 RLP



# **Dodge County**

- HMGP:
  - Dodge County: \$34,508 NOAA
     Weather Radios
  - Dodge County: \$19,894 Planning
- PDM:
  - Dodge County: \$22,976 Planning
- TOTAL: \$77,378



### **Fond du Lac County**

#### HMGP

- Oakfield School: \$202,216 reinforced walls in new school
- Village of N. Fond du Lac: \$228,063 acquisition/demolition
- City of Fond du Lac: \$1,342,410 acq/demo

#### FMA

- Village of N. Fond du Lac: \$119,132 acq/demo
- Village of N. Fond du Lac: \$12,743 Planning



## **Fond du Lac County**

- PDM
  - Fond du Lac County: \$73,154 Planning
  - Fond du Lac County: \$42,324 Planning
- TOTAL: \$2,020,042



# **Milwaukee County**

#### HMGP

- City of Milwaukee: \$1,545,412 acq/demo & floodproofing
- Milwaukee County: \$70,117 education/outreach
- City of Oak Creek: \$112,182 acq/demo
- City of Wauwatosa: \$2,168,097 acq/demo
- City of Milwaukee: \$91,630 acq/demo
- Village of Brown Deer: \$1,018,831 acq/demo
- Milwaukee County: \$11,510 Planning
- City of Glendale: \$930,686 acq/demo
- Village of Whitefish Bay: \$4,191,375 stormwater



## **Milwaukee County**

#### FMA

- City of Milwaukee: \$5,000 Planning
- City of Oak Creek: \$5,000 Planning
- PDM
  - City of Milwaukee: \$23,000 Planning
  - Milwaukee County: \$27,927 Planning
  - City of Milwaukee: \$40,000 Planning
- TOTAL: \$10,240,767



## **Ozaukee County**

- HMGP
  - Village of Thiensville: \$123,047 Detention Pond
- FMA
  - Ozaukee County: \$9,733 Planning
- PDM
  - Village of Thiensville: \$2,308,620 stormwater improvements
  - Ozaukee County: \$50,000 Planning
  - Ozaukee County: \$32,800 Planning
- TOTAL: \$2,524,200



# **Sheboygan County**

- HMGP
  - City of Sheboygan: \$1,873,000 acq/demo
- PDM
  - City of Sheboygan: \$30,156 Planning
  - Sheboygan County: \$53,000 Planning
- TOTAL: \$1,956,156



# **Waukesha County**

#### HMGP

- City of Brookfield: \$139,203 acq/demo
- City of Brookfield: \$140,060 acq/demo
- Village of Elm Grove: \$921,601 acq/demo
- Village of Elm Grove: \$721,319 acq/demo
- Village of Elm Grove: \$281,351 acq/demo
- Village of Menomonee Falls: \$1,969,799 acq/demo
- Village of Menomonee Falls: \$397,396
- Village of New Berlin: \$93,947 acq/demo



## **Waukesha County**

#### FMA

- City of Brookfield: \$10,000 planning
- City of Brookfield: \$46,267 acq/demo
- City of Brookfield: \$140,219 acq/demo

#### PDM

- Waukesha County: \$63,976 planning
- Village of Elm Grove: \$4,369 planning
- TOTAL: \$4,929,507



# **Community Rating System**

- New Berlin (7), Elm Grove (5-awesome!) and Ozaukee County (8) participating
- Discounts for property owners on flood insurance policies
- Levels 10 − 1
- Discounts in 5% increments depending on level
- Points for public information, mapping and regulations, flood damage reduction, flood preparation



# **Questions?**



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