

# Incorporating Historic and Cultural Resources in Your Hazard Mitigation Plan

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#### **Welcome and Overview**

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## **Polling Question 1**

What organization do you represent?

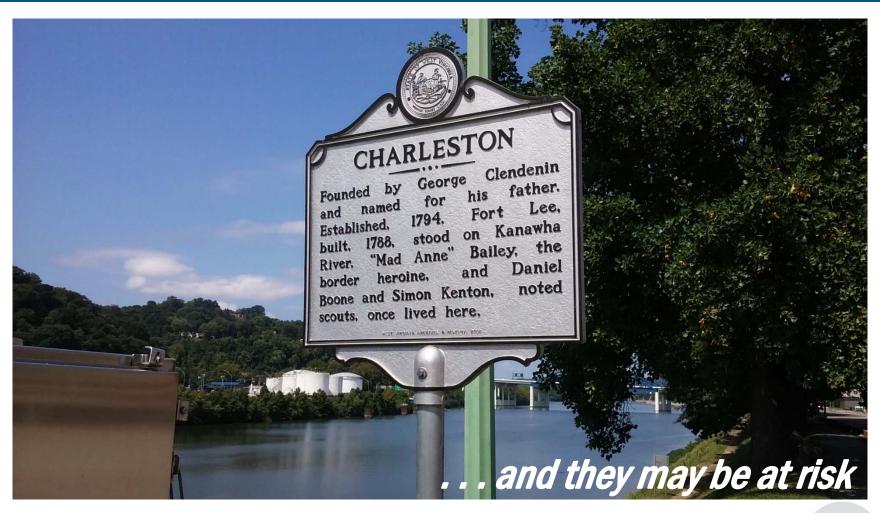
- A. Federal
- B. State
- C. Local
- D. Consultant
- E. Nonprofit
- F. Other (please write in chat)

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#### You Probably Have Historic & Cultural Resources







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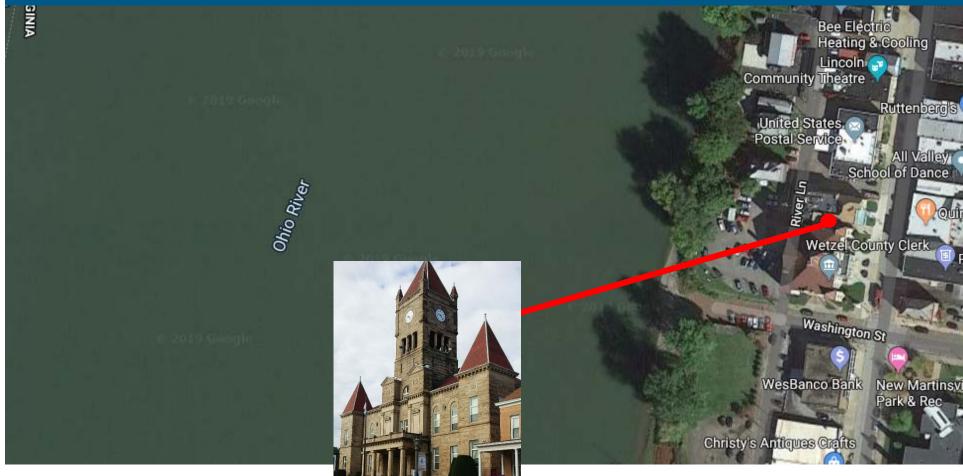


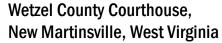
Wetzel County Courthouse, New Martinsville, West Virginia





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**Edgewood Drive, Charleston, West Virginia** 



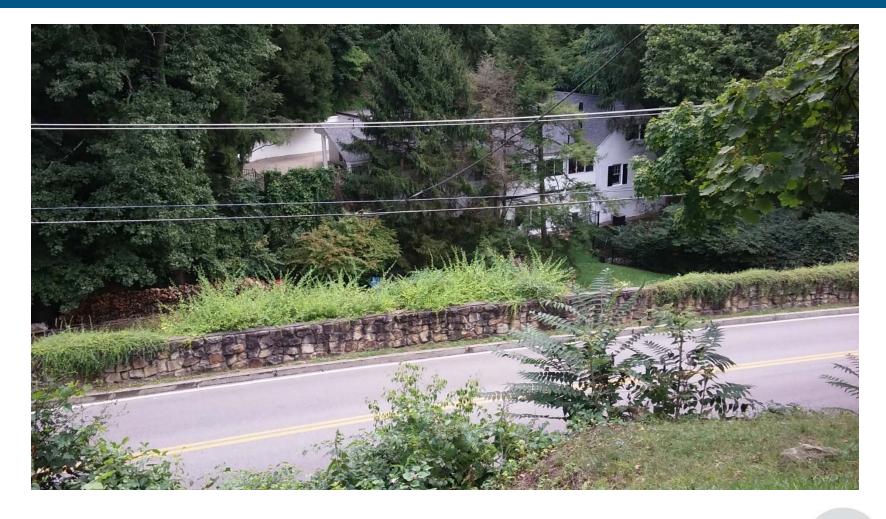




West Fork River Railroad Bridge, west of Fairmont, West Virginia



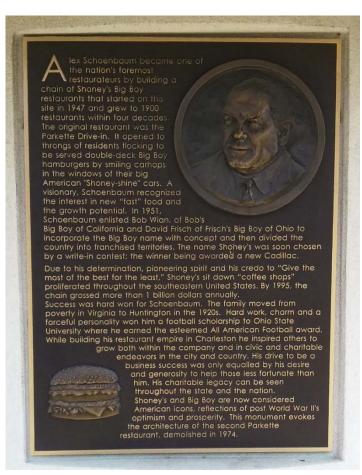












Parkette Drive-In (Shoney's Big Boy) Monument & Alex Schoenbaum Plaque, Charleston, West Virginia











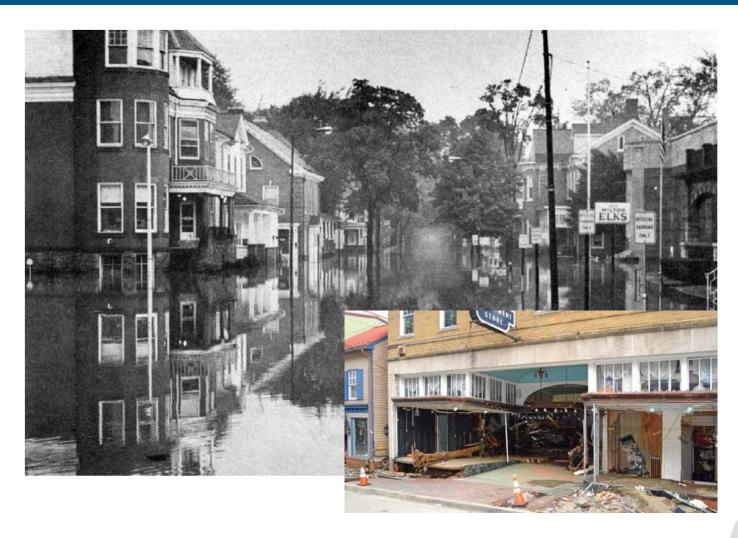
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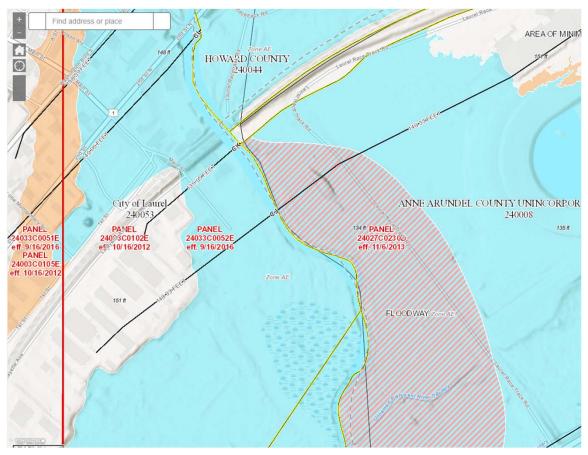
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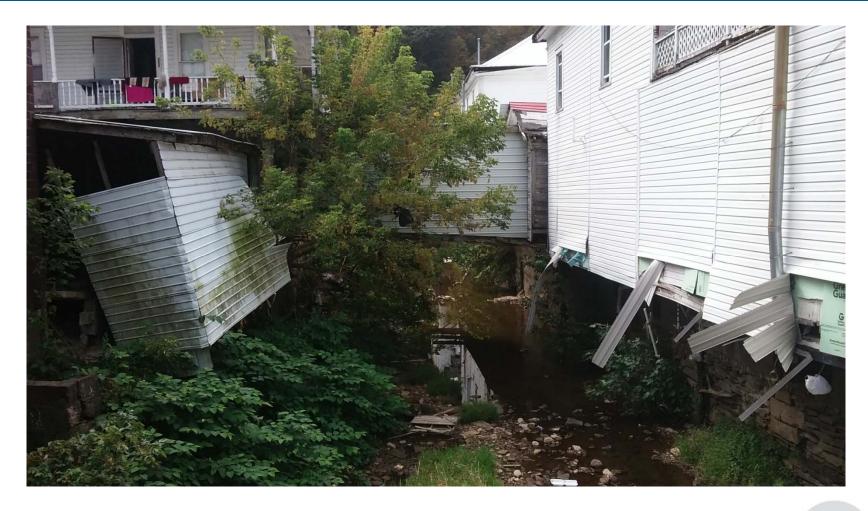


Patuxent River just downstream of Brighton Dam. Municipalities include Anne Arundel County, Howard County, Prince George's County, and City of Laurel.





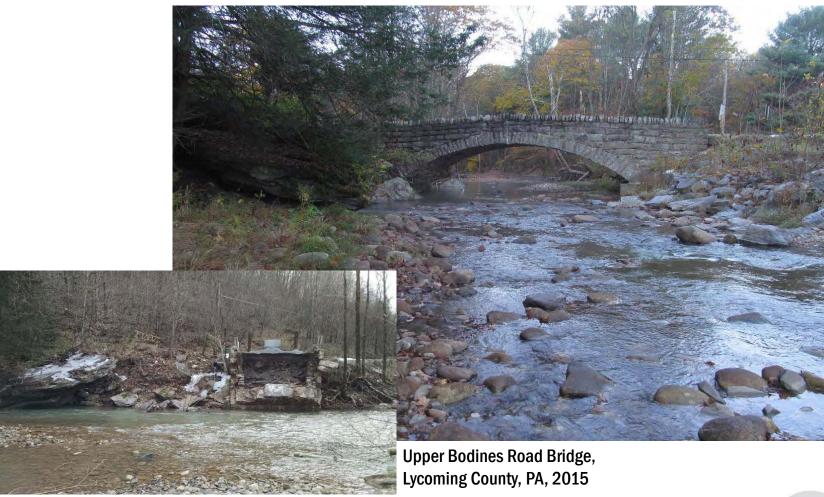
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#### Your Community's Hazard Mitigation Plan

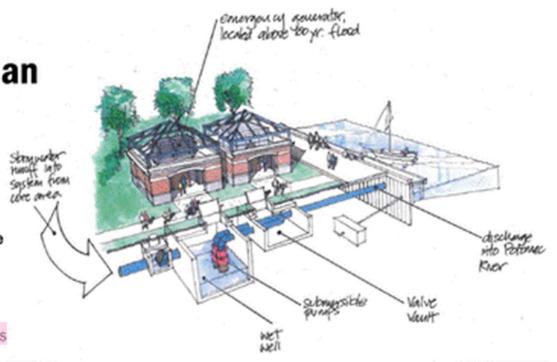
Completing your Hazard Mitigation Plan

Hazard mitigation is best accomplished when based on a comprehensive, long-term plan. Hazard mitigation plans allow communities to understand threats from natural hazards and develop strategies to reduce the impacts of disasters.

Effective mitigation planning can break the cycle

of disaster damage, reconstruction, and repeated damage. The four core steps in completing a hazard mitigation plan or plan update are to:

- 1. Organize the planning process and resources
- 2. Assess risks and capabilities
- 3. Develop a mitigation strategy
- 4. Adopt and implement the plan







#### **Hazard Mitigation Plan Elements**

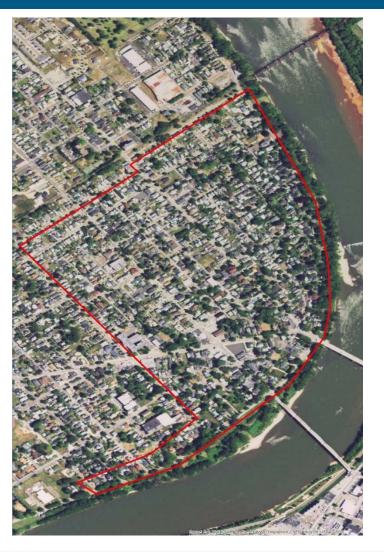
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# It's Your Community. So What Are Your Assets?



People?

Places?

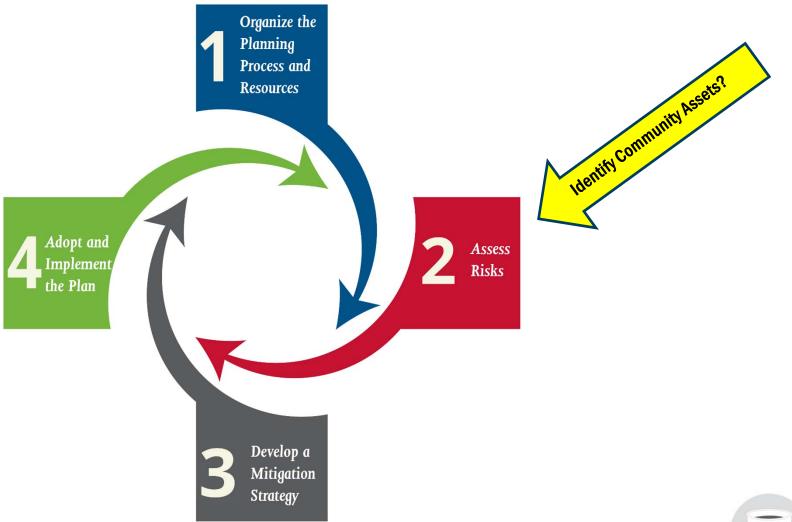
**Facilities?** 

**Resources?** 





# **Mitigation Planning Process**





## Mitigation Planning Process – Identify Assets in Task 5?

#### Task 5

Conduct a Risk Assessment

#### Steps to Conduct a Risk Assessment

Figure 5.2 shows the four recommended steps for conducting a risk assessment. The desired outcomes of these steps are 1) an evaluation of each hazard's potential impacts on the people, economy, and built and natural environments in the planning area and 2) an understanding of each community's overall vulnerability and most significant risks. These potential impacts and the overall vulnerability can be used to create problem statements and identify mitigation actions to reduce risk.

For multi-jurisdictional planning efforts, the risk assessment must result in an evaluation of potential impacts and overall vulnerability that each participating jurisdiction will use to development specific mitigation actions. Assets, vulnerabilities, and overall risk are unique to each community and must be addressed in a multi-jurisdictional plan. Although hazards may be described for the entire planning area, the plan also must explain any hazards that are unique or varied within communities.



Figure 5.2: Steps to conduct a risk assessment

Element B1





#### **Mitigation Planning Process**



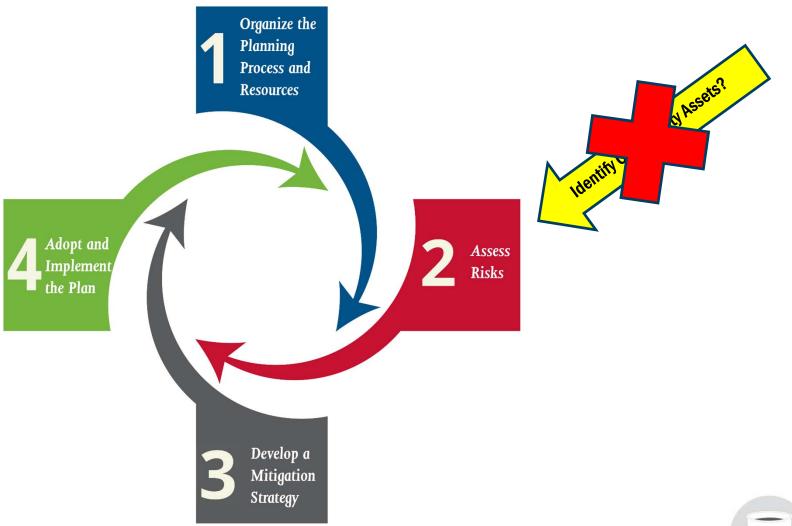
Note: Modified from U.S. Geological Survey and Oregon Partnership for Disaster Resilience Models.

Figure 5.1: Community risk from natural hazards



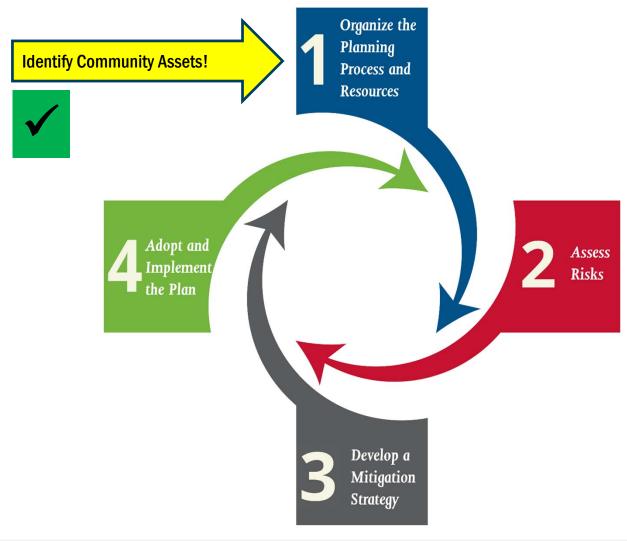


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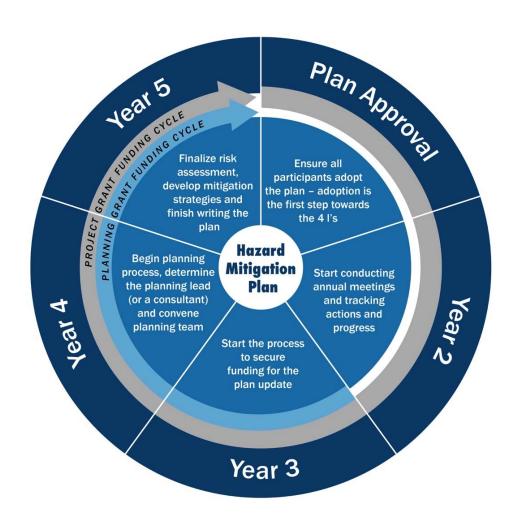
# Mitigation Planning Process – Do This Earlier!







### **Mitigation Planning Process**







## **Identify & Inventory Community Assets**

#### **Historic and Community Resources**





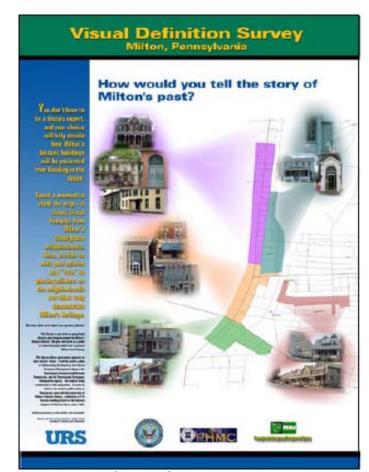


### Identify & Inventory Significant Community Assets

#### Historic Property and Cultural Resource Survey

A process by which historic properties and cultural resources that are potentially significant to the community are documented. Typically a survey involves the collection of documentary photography and completion of survey forms to describe each property or resource. This description includes its landscape (if a property), construction materials, geographic location, and potential significance (see sample survey on page 2-15 and Step 3 in Phase 2 for more details on conducting a survey).

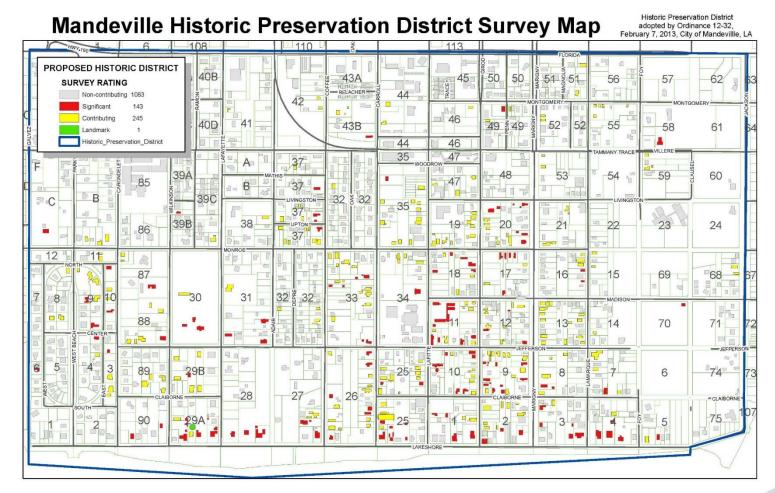
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The Visual Definition Survey provided an opportunity for public input useful in developing a Preservation Hierarchy.



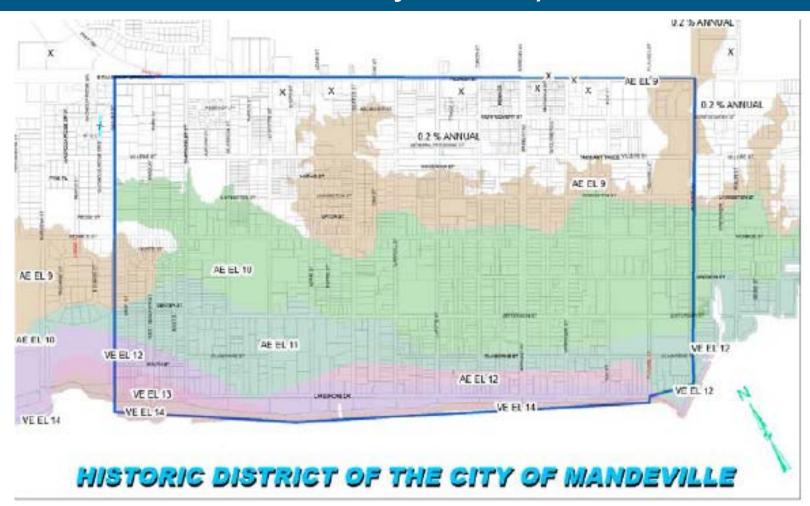
### **Evaluate & Rank Community Assets**







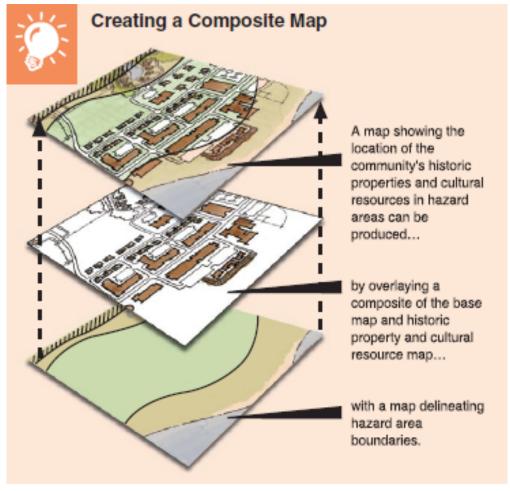
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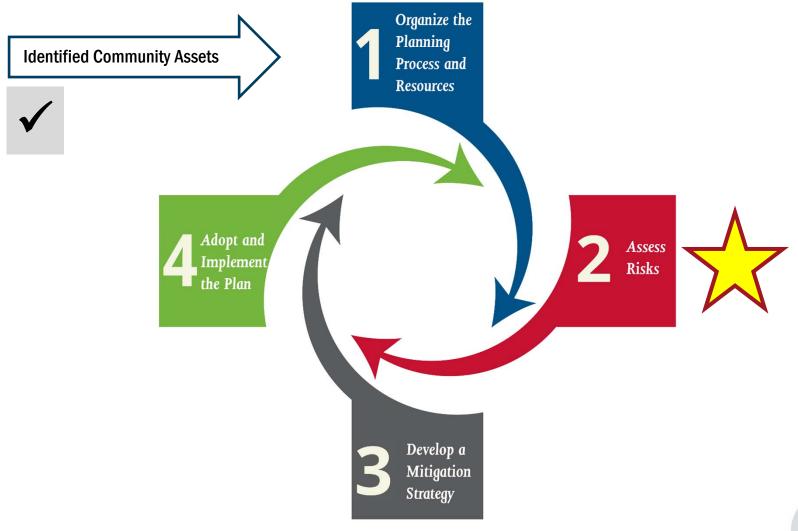


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# Mitigation Planning Process – Ready to go onto Step 2





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## Risk Assessment & Vulnerability Analysis

#### **Building Data Requirements by Hazard**

Building Characteristics	Flood	Earthquake	Tsunami	Tornado	Coastal Storm	Landslide	Wildfire
Building Type/Type of Foundation	•	•	•		•		
Building Code Design Level/Date of Construction	•	•		•	•		•
Roof Material				•	•		•
Roof Construction				•	•		•
Vegetation							•
Topography	•				•	•	•
Distance from the Hazard Zone	•		•		•	•	•

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### Risk Assessment & Vulnerability Analysis

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7	Column 8	Column 9
Name and Address of Asset Subject to Hazard	Date of Construction/ Creation	Type of Property/ Type of Resource	Square Footage	Structural System	Primary Material(s) of Property/ Resource	Current Function/Use	Current Condition	Is Owner Interested in Mitigation? (Yes/No)
HAZAROWILE OPERA HOUSE 50 Main Street	1905	COMMERCIAL BUILDING	40,000	CONCRETE	BRICK VENEER, CONCRETE, PLASTER CEILING	COMMUNITY CENTER	6000	YES (TOWN IS OWNER)
LEHMAN GARDENS CORNER OF MAIN AND NORTH	1840	Park	<b>43</b> ,560	N/A	MARBLE STATUES, GRANTE GRAVESTONES, METAL HISTORY STREETSCAPE FURNTURE, HERLOOM ROSES	Public Garden	Excellent	YES (TOWN IS OWNER)

Column 1	Column 10	Column 11	Column 12	Column 13	Column 14	Column 15	Column 16
Name and Address of Asset Subject to Hazard (same as previous page)	Level of Property Vulnerability (High, Medium, Low)	Loss to Structure (\$)	Loss to Contents (\$)	Loss of Function or Use (\$)	Displacement Cost	Total Loss for Hazard Event	Level of Community Value for Ranking Purposes (High, Medium, Low)
HAZARDVILLE OPERA HOUSE 50 Main Street	Мергим	\$300 K	\$150 K	\$30 K	\$190 K	\$670 K	Меским
LEIMAN GARDENE CORNER OF MAIN AND NORTH	Нівн	N/A	\$20 K	N/A	N/A	\$20 K	Йви

Inventory Historic Property and Cultural Resource Assets (page 2 of 3 Date: January 8, 2007

Worksheet #3

Worksheet #3
Hazard: Floor

Inventory
Cultural Re



### Risk Assessment & Vulnerability Analysis

List the name and address of vulnerable historic properties and cultural assets. For each asset (row), fill in Columns 1 to 6. Define High, Medium, and Low for Columns 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 at the bottom of this worksheet (optional). Fill in Column 7 by qualitatively adding Columns 3 to 6. Enter the results of Column 7 in Column 16 of Worksheet #3.

	Column 1	Cdumn 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7
Name and Address of Asset	Historic Designation (National Register, Local Landmark, etc.)*	Geographic Context of Significance (National, Tribal/ State, Local)	Level of Significance (High, Medium, Low)	Public Sentiment (High, Medium, Low)	Economic Importance (High, Medium, Low)	Degree of Integrity (High, Medium, Low)	Total Level of Community Value (High, Medium, Low
HAZARDVILLE OPERA HOUSE 50 Main Street	NR-LISTED	STATE	Hisii	Low	Мерим	Low	Мериим
Carruth House Museum 22 Primpose Lane	LOCAL LANDMARK	LOGIL	Hisii	Мерим	Low	Ивн	Меским
Carruth Archives 35 North Street	NOT LISTED	STATE	Меріим	Мериим	Low	Мериим	Łow
LEHMAN'S GARDEN CORNER OF MAIN AND NORTH	NR-LISTED	NA TIONAL	Мергим	Нюн	High	Мериим	High
DOWNTOWN DISTRICT (MAIN STREET)	NR-LISTED	Local	Мергин	Икн	Hisii	Медии	Мериим

<sup>&</sup>quot;The designation level does not automatically correlate to the level of community value for ranking purposes.

Worksheet #4
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Determine Community Value for Historic Property and Cultural Resource Assets

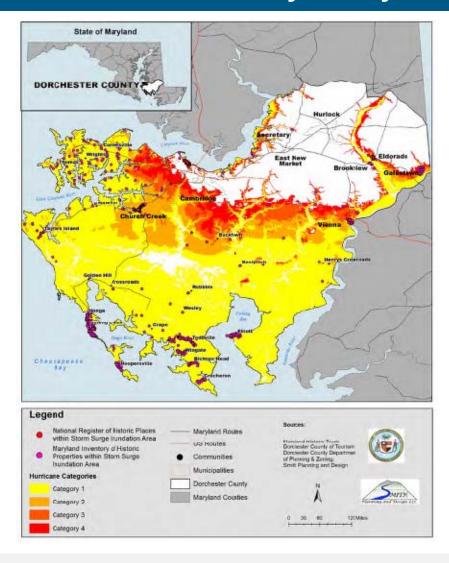
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### Mitigation Planning Process – Ready to go onto Step 3





#### **Components of the Mitigation Strategy**

#### **Actions**

- Policy statements
- Focus on long-term outcomes

Goals

- Specific projects/ activities
- Help achieve goals and reduce risk

- Priorities
- Responsible agencies
- Funding sources
- Timeframes

**Implementation** 





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#### **What Are Your Goals?**





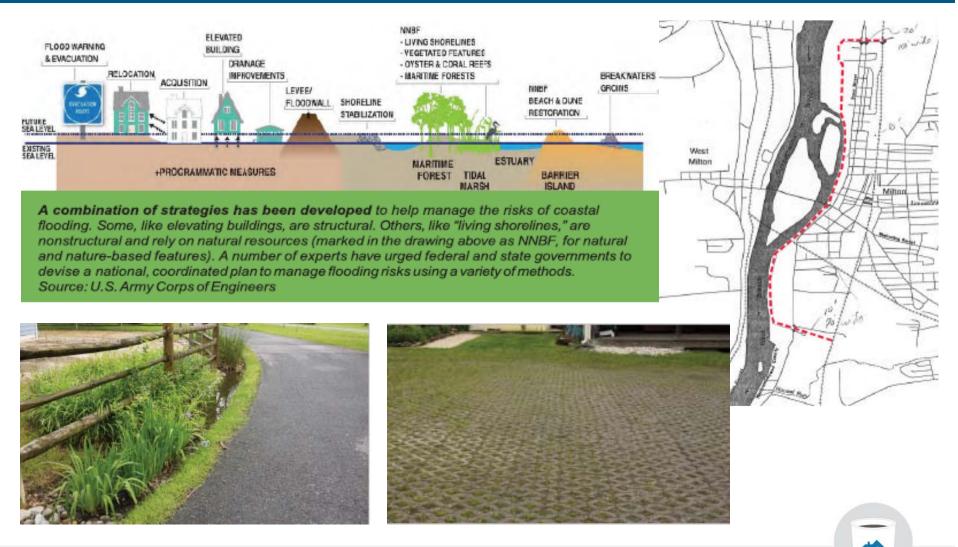






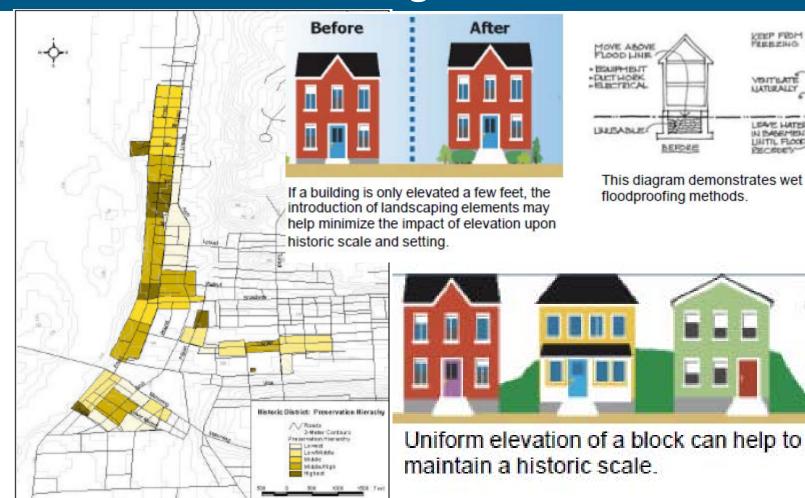


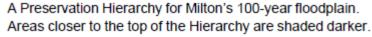
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## **Consider Creative Approaches**







## **Detail Steps to Implementation**

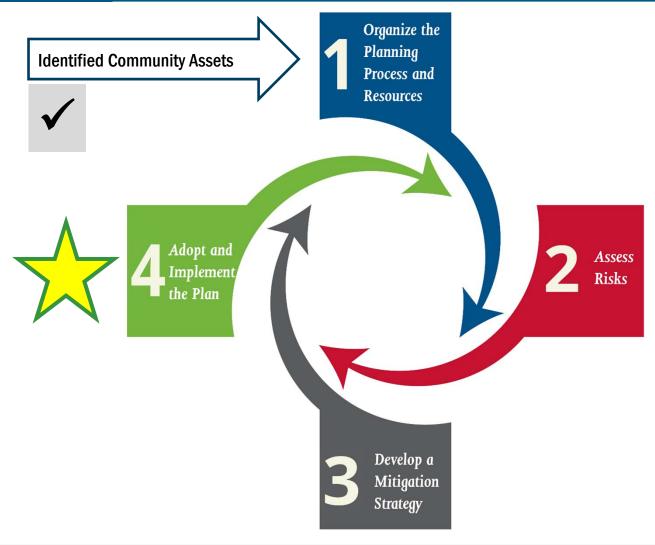
2018 Dorchester County Historic & Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation & Risk Plan

	Areas of Concern Recommendations					
Area of Concern	Recommendation					
	Prioritize for architectural/historical survey: complete the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form for the two (2) buildings within the Toddville Survey District that were built prior to 1900. Both buildings are highly vulnerable and at-risk to coastal flooding, hurricanes, and sea level rise.					
Toddville	Prepare sufficient documentation to allow MHT to evaluate the eligibility of the Zion M. E. Church (D-322) for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.					
	Determine what flood mitigation, if any, has been completed at the five (5) historic properties individually documented in the MIHP. Target these properties for flood mitigation measures that balances protection and preservation.  • D-322 Zion M.E. Church					
	D- 732 Meredith & Meredith Seafood Packing     D-734 Toddville Seafood Company					
	D-836 Toddville House     D-829 Toddville Store					
	Determine what flood mitigation, if any, has been completed at the Repetitive Loss Property on Toddville Road, within the Survey District. Target for flood mitigation that balances protection and preservation and architectural/historical documentation.					
	Correct the address on the MIHP forms for those resources that have individual forms or are mentioned specifically in the MIHP form for the Toddville Survey District.					
	Prepare documentation sufficient to allow MHT to evaluate the Toddville Survey District's eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places as a Historic District.					
1	Produce an oral history of the Toddville area for publication and posterity.					
	Prioritize for architectural/historical survey-complete the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form, the one (1) building within the Wingate Survey District that was built prior to 1800. This building is highly vulnerable and at-risk to coastal flooding, hurricanes, and sea level rise.					
Wingate	Determine what flood mitigation, if any, has been completed at the two (2) historic properties individually documented in the MIHP. Target these properties for flood mitigation measures that balance protection and preservation.  • D-834 Wingate Manor					
	D-846 Formally the South Dorchester Bank					
]	Conduct architectural/historical survey for the following sites and submit MIHP forms to the Maryland Historical Trust: Wingate Manor Cemetery and Wingate Methodist Church.					
}	Produce an oral history of the Wingate area for publication and posterity.					





### Mitigation Planning Process - Adopt & Implement







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#### **Technical Assistance & Funding**



#### Introduction

Preserve America is a federal initiative that encourages and supports community efforts to preserve and enjoy our priceless cultural and natural heritage. The goals of the program include a greater shared knowledge about the nation's past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving the country's cultural and natural heritage assets, and support for the economic vitality of Explore and Enjoy Our Heritage our communities.



#### Preserve America Communities

Preserve America Communities is a designation program that recognizes communities that protect and celebrate their heritage; use their historic assets for economic development and community revitalization; and encourage people to experience and appreciate local historic resources through education and heritage tourism programs.

READ MORE ABOUT PRESERVE AMERICA COMMUNITIES >



#### Main Street America Institute

The Main Street America Institute (MSAI) is our targeted professional development training program aimed to equip downtown and commercial district leaders with the tools they need to lead results-oriented and preservation-based community revitalization organizations.

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#### **Technical Assistance for Implementation**

#### **Technical Preservation Services**

National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior



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Tax Incentives

How To Preserve

Sustainability

**Historic Surplus Property** 

**Education & Training** 

Hot Topics ▼

Home > The Standards > Rehabilitation Standards and Guidelines > Guidelines on Flood Adaptation for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings



#### **Flood Adaptation**

Flooding risk has long been a major challenge for many historic properties. Changing weather patterns, stronger hurricanes and other extreme weather events, sea level rise, increased nuisance flooding, king tides, and continuing development in flood plains are some of the factors increasing the risk of flooding events, both in terms of their frequency and magnitude. Some historic properties that have never flooded before may now be exposed to this risk, and those that flooded infrequently in the past may experience more instances of flooding or of water reaching higher levels than ever before.

Standards for Preservation

Standards for Rehabilitation

Standards for Rehabilitation (for historic tax credit projects)

Standards for Restoration



#### Guidelines on Flood Adaptation for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings

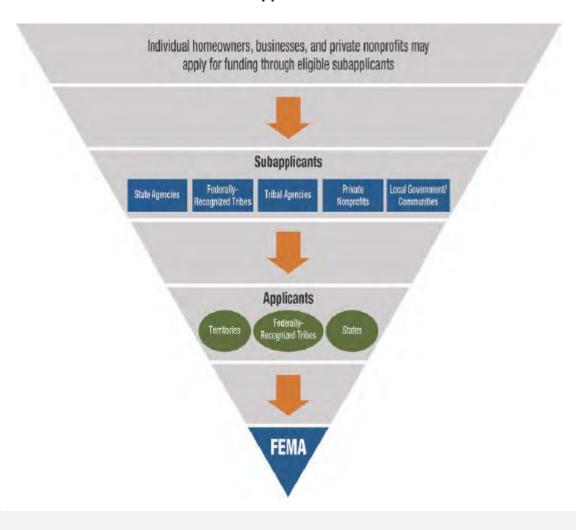
The goal of the Guidelines on Flood Adaptation for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings is to provide information about how to adapt historic buildings to be more resilient to flooding risk in a manner that will preserve their historic character and that will meet





### **Plan Implementation & Grants Development**

#### **HMGP Application Flow**







### **Polling Question 2**

Are you aware of statewide guidance/resources available to integrate historic and cultural resources into your Hazard Mitigation Plan?

- A. I am aware of existing guidance and have utilized it.
- B. I have heard about guidance, but have not consulted it.
- C. I am unaware of any guidance.





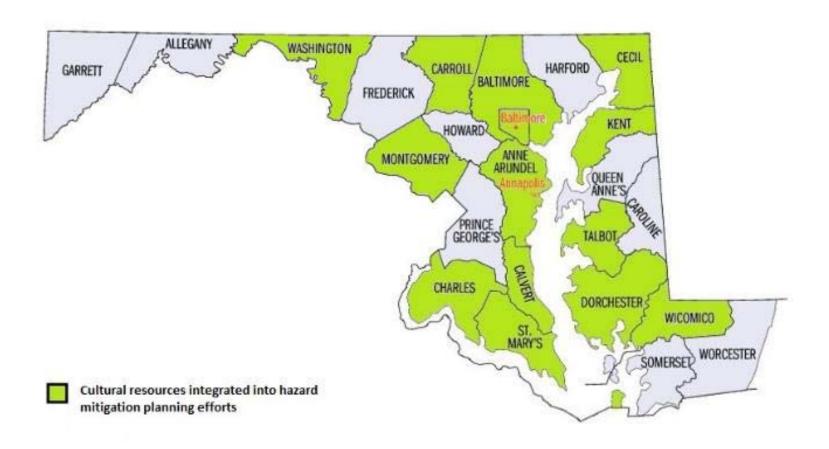
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# Integration of Hazard Mitigation Planning and Resources in Maryland







### Flood Mitigation Guide: Maryland's Historic Buildings

- Flooding & Floodplain Management
- Historic Preservation & Emergency Management
- Selecting Preservation-Sensitive Mitigation Options



#### TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

Potential issues related to the improvement of transportation infrastructure include:

- Roadways, bridges, and causeways may require further elevation or structural enhancement as flood conditions worsen
- · Costly to construct
- · Require regular maintenance

#### **Potential Preservation Benefits:**

- Mostly "invisible" and considered necessities rather than visually obtrusive
- Potential to protect historic buildings, structures, settings, and archeological resources

#### Potential Preservation Challenges:

- Potential abandonment of historic buildings and structures due to failure of infrastructure to provide needed services including access by road
- Potential to impact historic landscapes and archeological resources due to installation of new or elevated transportation infrastructure
- Possible destruction or alteration of cultural resources, particularly archeological resources and historic landscapes, through construction activities

https://mht.maryland.gov/weatherit.shtml





# Planning for Maryland's Flood-prone Archeological Resources

#### **QUICK GUIDE TO WHAT'S INSIDE**

Archeological sites are increasingly threatened by flooding along Maryland's rivers and coastlines. Development projects to help address flooding can also damage archeological sites.

Sections 1 & 3

Identifying vulnerable and undocumented archeological sites is more difficult. Strategies include predictive modeling and field survey.

Section 4

To make decisions about how to treat archeological sites, local governments should work with archeologists and MHT to assess the integrity and potential significance of the site - that is, its ability to yield important information about the past - as well as site vulnerability.

**Sections 5, 6, & 7** 

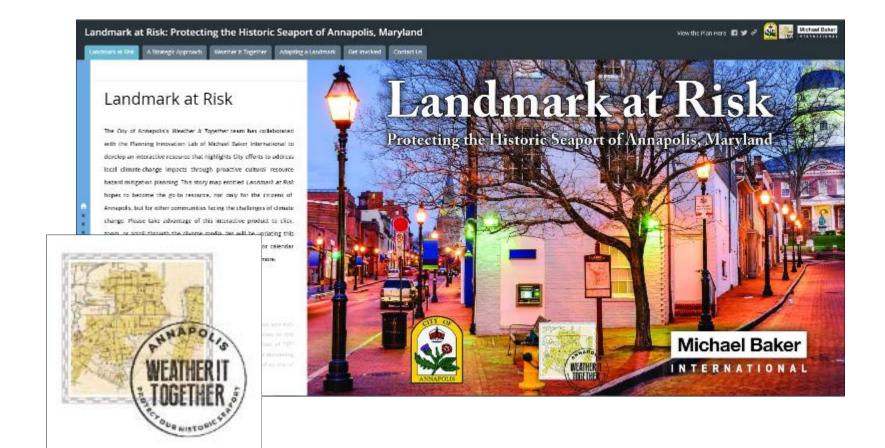
Treatment options can include local site stewardship programs, additional research and investigation, site protection, and -- in severe cases where important data may be lost -- salvage archeology. Some sites will not be good candidates for treatment and will be lost over time.

Section 7





#### **Annapolis: Weather It Together**

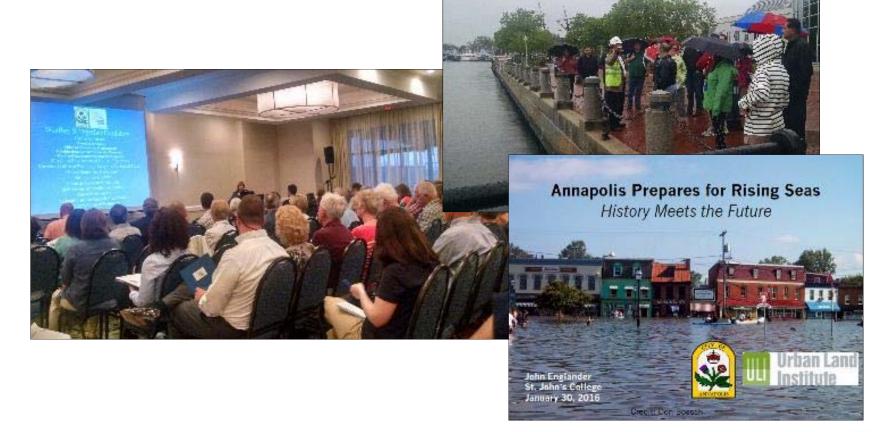


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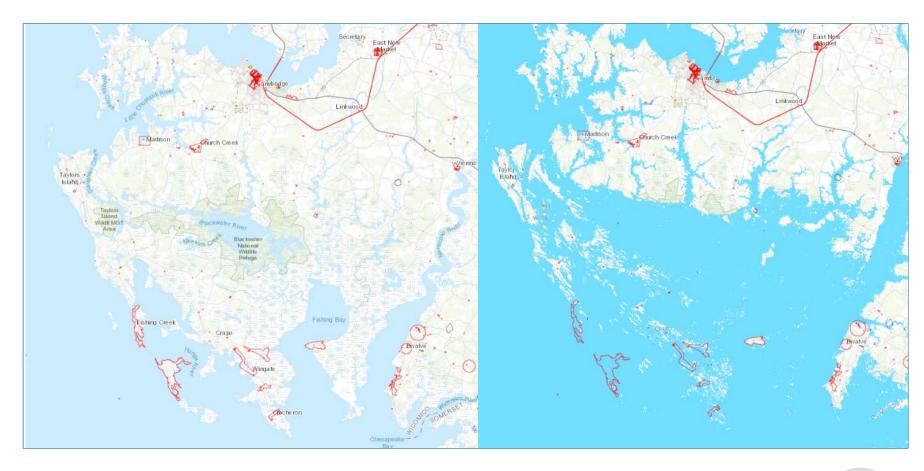
### **Annapolis: Weather It Together**







## **Dorchester County: The Future?**







# **Dorchester County – Historic Structures at Risk to Flooding**

Flood Zone	# of Buildings				
High Risk (SFH	IA)				
AE	383				
Α	18				
VE	0				
Moderate Risk					
X 500 yr.	143				
Minimal Risk					
X	1,338				
Total # MIHP building within					
FEMA flood zones: 1,880					

MIHP Buildings in Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) High Risk (Zone AE Only)								
AE Flood	Depth of Flooding - MIHP Buildings							
Zone	3 ft. <b>↑</b>	2.5 ft 2.9 ft.	2.0 ft 2.4 ft.	1.5 ft 1.9 ft.	1.4 ft. <b>Ψ</b>			
	121	87	51	48	75			

Data presented within tables were derived from the following sources: MHT, FEMA Flood Risk Map Products, and Smith Planning and Design

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#### **Dorchester County – Gap Analysis**



577 buildings constructed prior to 1967 located in areas that have not been documented or studied, of which:

201

were vulnerable to the 1% annual chance flood, storm surge inundation, and 2050 SLR inundation.

376

were vulnerable to the 1% annual chance flood and storm surge inundation.





#### **Dorchester County – Recommendations**



**Conduct architectural/historical survey** 



Complete of Maryland Inventory of Historic Property Forms for buildings



Prepare documentation to allow for determinations of eligibility



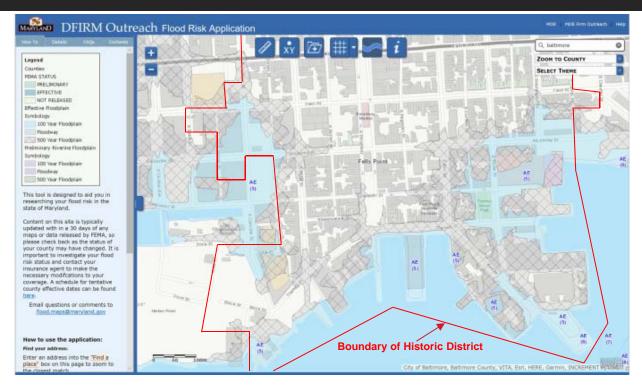
Conduct flood mitigation for historic properties that balances preservation and protection





#### **Fells Point Flood Mitigation Guidelines**

Flood vulnerability at individual properties can be checked on Maryland's Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map (DFIRM). The DFIRM website includes valuable information and resource links for property owners addressing flood insurance and mitigation as well as a mapping tool that can be searched by street address.



https://mdfloodmaps.net/

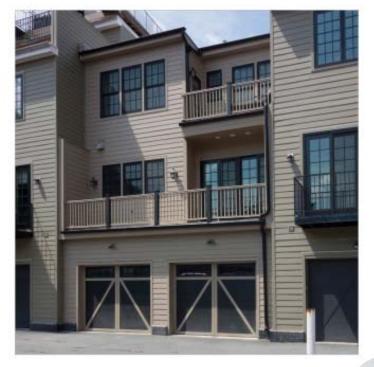




#### **Fells Point Flood Mitigation Guidelines**

The front elevation (at left) of this wet floodproofed rowhouse maintains its historic character. At the time of renovation, it was missing its rear wall, providing a unique opportunity for substantial alterations. The contemporary rear elevation (at right), includes a roof deck, balcony, and garage door openings. The basement has been infilled and first floor uses limited to an entrance, garage, and storage space.





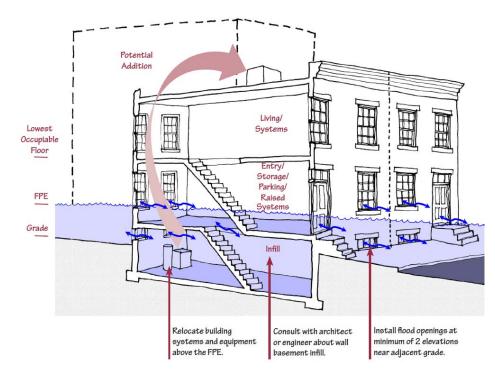




#### Fells Point Flood Mitigation Guidelines

# Flood Protection Elevation (FPE) Above Existing First Floor Height

- Relocate all systems and equipment from abandoned basement and former first floor level to above the FPE. Limit use of former first floor to entry, storage, and potentially parking. Relocate living spaces including the kitchen and living room to an upper floor.
- Consult with CHAP regarding the potential installation of a garage door at the rear elevation and an addition to compensate for lost living space.







### **Polling Question 3**

Are cultural resources addressed in your local Hazard Mitigation Plan?

- A. Yes, substantively
- B. Yes, minimally
- C. No
- D. I don't know





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#### **Disaster Planning for Historic Properties Initiative**

#### **Program Background**

- Following Hurricane Sandy, PA SHPO applied for and received a competitive grant offered to states with Sandy disaster declarations.
- A small number of Sandyaffected properties received repair subgrants, but the majority of funding has gone toward planning for future disasters and resiliency.

Historic preservation brings economic benefit by offering experiences and investment opportunities that are not available elsewhere.





#### PROTECTING & PRESERVING SENSE OF PLACE













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#### **Survey Projects**

#### Survey is the backbone of historic preservation

- The first step in protecting what a community values is knowing what's actually there
- Survey projects provide an opportunity to gather a range of broadly useful data
- Tailoring survey projects to neighborhoods and communities most at risk maximizes their value



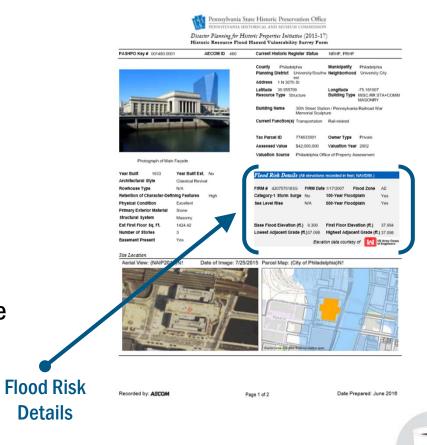




### **Survey Form**

# A "Flood Risk Details" section was added to our standard survey form and included:

- FIRM # and date
- Flood zone
- Risk from storm surge or sea level rise
- Located in 100 or 500 year floodplain
- Base Flood Elevation
- First Floor Elevation
- Lowest and Highest Adjacent Grade





#### **Pilot Counties**

#### **County Selection**

- PA SHPO partnered with four pilot counties on comprehensive survey and updates to their Hazard Mitigation Plans
- Survey was focused on the most at-risk properties countywide.
- Counties were selected to represent a broad range of population levels and densities, and geographic contexts



Pilot Counties: Bedford, Cameron, Monroe, Philadelphia

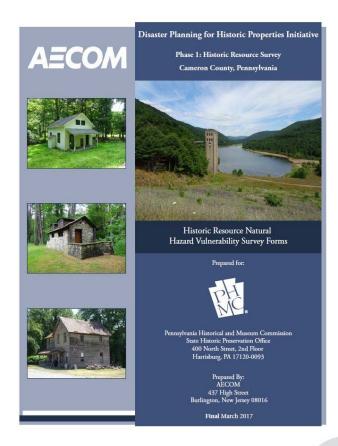




## **Cameron County Results**

#### **Total Properties: 34**

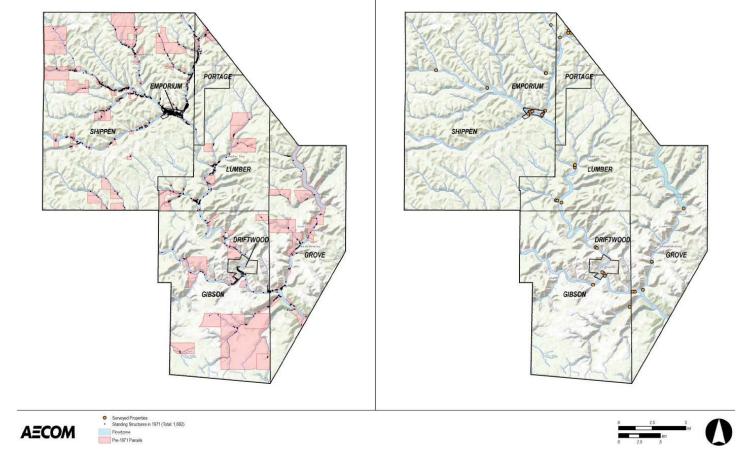
- Only 5 properties had previously been identified as eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places
- Cameron County is the only county with no current National Register listings







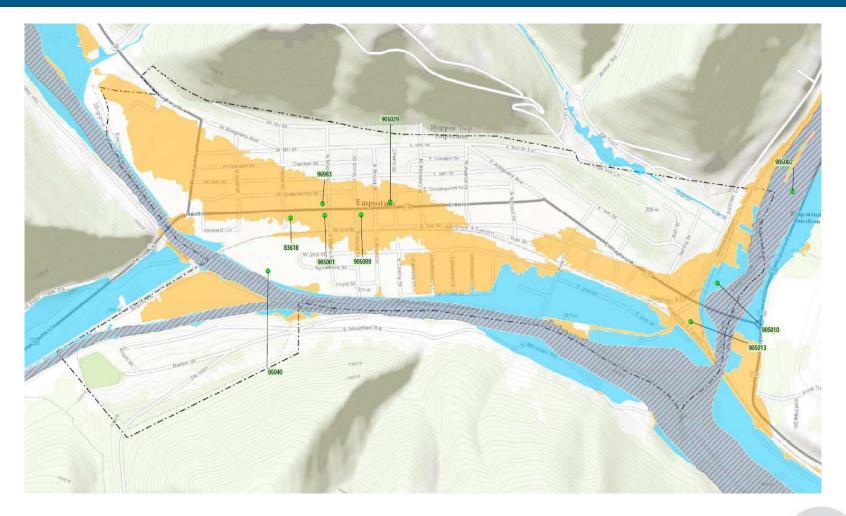
# **Cameron County Results**







# **Borough of Emporium**



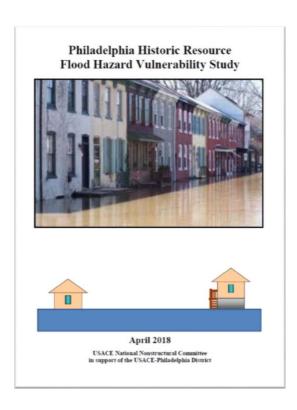




#### Philadelphia Survey Results

#### **Total Properties Surveyed: 568**

- All properties surveyed had been previously identified as historic.
- This includes properties already listed in the National Register of Historic Places and properties previously determined to be eligible for listing by PA SHPO.
- Properties locally listed on the Philadelphia Register of Historic Places are also included.
- Flood risk data was gathered by USACE, which produced a separate report







## **Tri-County Survey**

# We partnered with the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC) on our second survey project.

- The Tri-County Region includes Cumberland, Dauphin, and Perry Counties
- All three counties share the Susquehanna River as a border
- The capital city of Harrisburg is located in Dauphin County
- Harrisburg is a Certified Local Government, giving it access to additional grant funding.



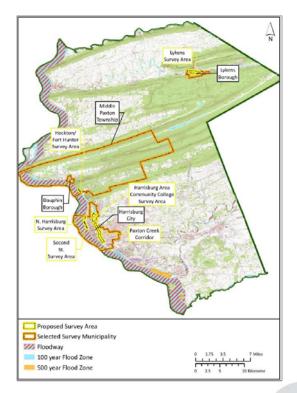




## **Community-Oriented Approach**

# Rather than focus on the most at-risk properties county-wide, we focused on the most at-risk communities in each county.

- Communities without previous survey information were prioritized.
- "Communities" include city neighborhoods, boroughs, villages, and census-designated places (CDPs)
- The project was flexible and able to evolve over time: communities were added to Dauphin County as additional information was gathered in the field.

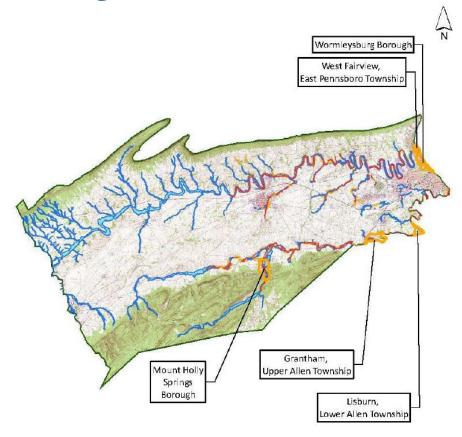






#### **Cumberland County**

Selected communities include boroughs and CDPs. Though not shown here, the borough of New Cumberland was also surveyed.







#### **Preliminary Results**

## Total Properties Surveyed: 1,299 Dauphin County: 764

- Harrisburg: 417
- Lykens: 229
- Middle Paxton Township: 30
- Susquehanna Township: 63
- Union Deposit: 25

#### **Cumberland County: 305**

- Grantham: 17
- Lisburn: 13
- Mount Holly Springs: 103
- New Cumberland: 85
- Wormleysburg: 87

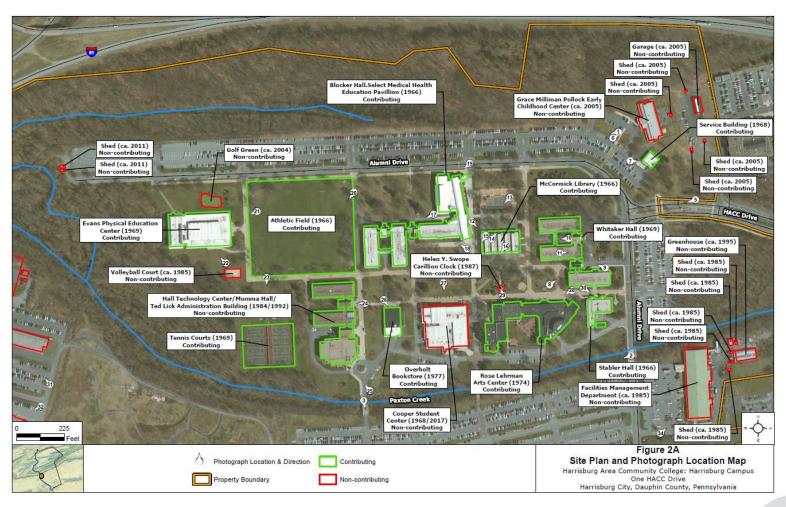
#### Perry County: 230

- Blain: 50
- Duncannon: 102
- Ickesburg: 32
- NE Madison Township: 2
- Newport: 43
- Spring Township: 1





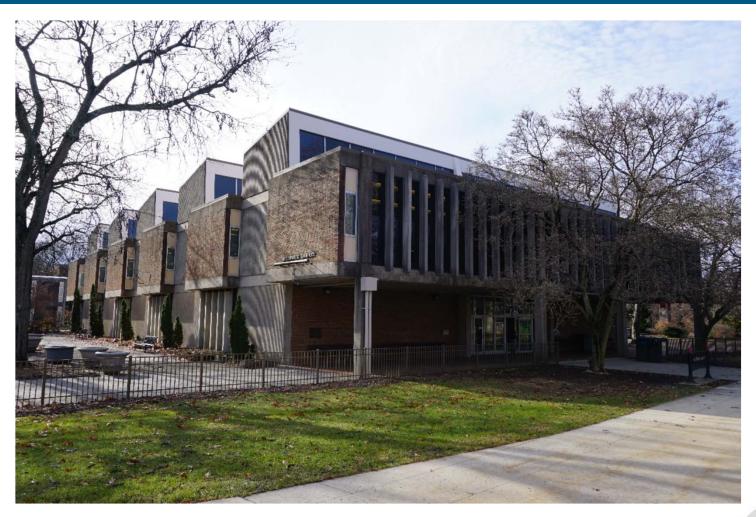
#### Harrisburg Area Community College







# Harrisburg Area Community College: McCormick Library







#### **Juniata County**

# Our final Sandy-funded survey project is in Juniata County.

- Juniata County is a low-density county bordering the Susquehanna River.
- The current population is roughly 25.000.
- This survey project is smaller, more targeted, and could be more quickly contracted and implemented.
- The estimated number of buildings to be surveyed is less than 150.
- Eligibility recommendations for each community will be included.

# Five small communities were selected for survey:

- East Salem, a CDP in Delaware Township
- McAlisterville, a CDP in Fayette Township
- Mexico, a CDP in Walker Township
- Port Royal Borough
- Thompsontown Borough





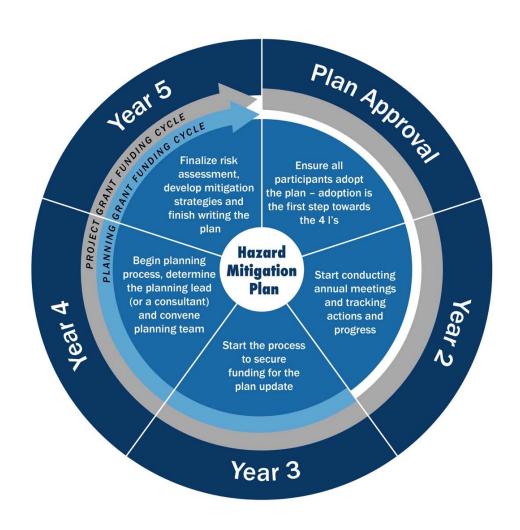
## **McAlisterville**







#### **Connecting to the Planning Cycle**







#### Region 3 2019 Coffee Break Webinar Schedule Recap

March

Utilizing Universities as Partners in Hazard Mitigation Plan Drafting and Implementation

May

Floodplain Management and Hazard Mitigation Planning

July

**Engaging the Arts in Mitigation & Planning** 

September

Revisiting Loss Avoidance and the Benefit Cost Analysis Process

**October** 

Integrating EPA Programs and Hazard Mitigation Planning

**January** 

**Incorporating Historic and Cultural Resources in Your Hazard Mitigation Plan** 





#### Region 3 2020 Coffee Break Webinar Schedule

January
Incorporating Historic and Cultural Resources in Your Hazard Mitigation Plan

Annual Hazard Mitigation Plan Reviews – Options and Outcomes

Building a Better Scope of Work for your Hazard Mitigation Plan

TBD

**September** Tracking Risk Reduction through Your Capabilities Assessment

**November** Bringing Lifelines into Hazard Mitigation Planning





#### **Upcoming FEMA Region III Coffee Break**

# March 18, 2020 Annual Hazard Mitigation Plan Reviews – Options and Outcomes

To register, please follow the link\* to:

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#### Resources

- Disaster Planning for Historic Properties
- Dorchester County 2018 Historic & Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation & Risk Plan
- Fells Point Flood Mitigation Guidelines
- Floodplain Management Bulletin Historic Structures
- Integrating Historic Property and Cultural Resource Considerations Into Hazard
   Mitigation Planning
- National Park Service Rehabilitation Standards and Guidelines
- Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office Blog
- Weather It Together: Overview
- Weather It Together: Protecting Maryland's Historic Places from Natural Hazards





## **Thank you for Participating Today!**



We hope to see you all at the next Coffee Break!





# **Questions?**

Please type your question in the chat!











