

TOWN OF COTTAGE GROVE

4058 County Road N
COTTAGE GROVE, WI 53527

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION STRATEGIES

Dane County is in the process of updating its Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan. This update is considered multi-jurisdictional by FEMA, which means that each jurisdiction within Dane County will have an annex attached to the plan addressing the need for hazard mitigation and the potential steps that can be taken. Final FEMA approval requires that each jurisdiction seeking approval participates in the planning process. The Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Steering Committee was appointed by the Town Board to complete the required planning steps.

A Public Hearing regarding the Hazard Mitigation Strategies developed by the Steering Committee will be held beginning at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, November 1, 2021 at the Town Hall. Copies of the strategies are attached or can be viewed at the Town Hall from 8:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M., Monday – Friday.

All interested parties are invited to attend and provide comments.

You may also join the public hearing from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

<https://www.gotomeet.me/Towncg/town-board-meeting>

You can also dial in using your phone. United States: [+1 \(872\) 240-3412](tel:+18722403412) Access Code: 535-400-381

Posted October 25, 2021

Kim Banigan, Clerk

Municipal Mitigation Strategy Worksheet

Sept. 2021

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Municipality		Town of Cottage Grove	
Mitigation Strategy Name		Severe Heat or Cold	
Mitigation strategy goal			
<i>Highlight the applicable strategic category</i>	Prevention		Natural Resource Protection
	Property Protection		Critical Facilities Protection
	Public Education & Awareness		Structural Project
<i>Describe the overall improvements to the community including the purpose for and the desired outcome from implementing this strategy</i>	Purpose and desired outcomes are to make sure cooling or warming shelters are available to residents.		
Define the steps to achieving this mitigation strategy			
<p>1. Use Town Annual newsletter, email, web site, local and social media to educate town residents where centers would be/are located. First priority would be the Town Hall with a capacity of 150. Flynn Hall could take another 180 people. Town Garage could serve as an overflow heating center. Duration is expected to be short term. Water is available; need a supply of disposable drinking cups. Food may be needed if time becomes extended.</p> <p>a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Emergency Government/Town Board/Town Staff</p> <p>b. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget</p> <p>c. <i>Completion date</i> – ongoing</p>			

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Mitigation Strategy Name	Severe Heat or Cold
2. Consider upgrading/adding generators to handle HVAC. a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Town Board b. <i>Funding source</i> – Look for grant or use of ARPA funds c. <i>Completion date</i> – End of 2022	
3. a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – b. <i>Funding source</i> – c. <i>Completion date</i> –	
4. a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – b. <i>Funding source</i> – c. <i>Completion date</i> –	
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Municipality		Town of Cottage Grove	
Mitigation Strategy Name		Flooding	
Mitigation strategy goal			
<i>Highlight the applicable strategic category</i>	Prevention		Natural Resource Protection
	Property Protection		Critical Facilities Protection
	Public Education & Awareness		Structural Project
<i>Describe the overall improvements to the community including the purpose for and the desired outcome from implementing this strategy</i>	Assess critical waterways in the Township for flood mitigation. Provide sand bags and sand for use by property owners.		
Define the steps to achieving this mitigation strategy			
<p>1. Improvements to Koshkonong Creek are needed to allow water coming from Sun Prairie to flow through the Town without flooding. The Town has agreed to share the cost of a 3-year study by the University Alliance to determine what steps are needed to mitigate the flooding from the creek.</p> <p>a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Town Board/Friends of the Koshkonong Creek/UW Alliance</p> <p>b. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget</p> <p>c. <i>Completion date</i> – August 2024</p>			

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Mitigation Strategy Name	Flooding
	<p>2. Perform improvements as recommended by UW Alliance Study.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Town Board/Contractorsb. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget, look for grant fundingc. <i>Completion date</i> – Unknown until scope is determined by UW Alliance Study
	<p>3. Improve Ridge Road in the area that frequently floods.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">d. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Town Boarde. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget, look for grant fundingf. <i>Completion date</i> – End of 2022
	<p>4. Door Creek should be looked at to see if improvements could increase flow/reduce flooding in the western side of the Town.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Contractorb. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget, look for grant fundingc. <i>Completion date</i> – End of 2023
	<p>5. Verify enough sand bags and sand are on hand or readily accessible.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Emergency Governmentb. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget or get from Countyc. <i>Completion date</i> – By Spring of 2022

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Mitigation Strategy Name		Tornado/Windstorm	
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<i>Highlight the applicable strategic category</i>	Prevention	Natural Resource Protection	
	Property Protection	Critical Facilities Protection	
	Public Education & Awareness	Structural Project	
<i>Describe the overall improvements to the community including the purpose for and the desired outcome from implementing this strategy</i>	Overall purpose is to keep roads open so people can get the services they need and to provide shelter to those whose homes are uninhabitable.		
Define the steps to achieving this mitigation strategy			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assess/maintain trees over roadways that could cause damage or injury if they fall in a wind storm and communicate with utilities about any trees over utility lines. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Town Highway Department b. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget c. <i>Completion date</i> – Ongoing 			

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	<p>2. Open a shelter for those whose homes are damaged. Use Town Annual newsletter, email, web site, local and social media to educate town residents where shelters would be/are located. First priority would be the Town Hall with a capacity of 150. Flynn Hall could take another 180 people. Town Garage could serve as an overflow for winter storms, but does not have adequate A/C to be a summer shelter. Duration is expected to be short term. Water is available: need a supply of disposable drinking cups. Food may be needed if time becomes extended.</p> <p>a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Emergency Government, Town Staff</p> <p>b. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget, possible FEMA reimbursement</p> <p>c. <i>Completion date</i> – Immediately after storm occurrence</p>
	<p>3. Emergency Government would be activated for response and recovery.</p> <p>a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Emergency Government</p> <p>b. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget/Possible FEMA reimbursement</p> <p>c. <i>Completion date</i> – Immediately after storm occurrence</p>
	<p>4. Debris removal to clear roads. Arrange for disposal options for debris from private properties, including maintaining relationships with contractors for debris disposal.</p> <p>a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Town Highway Department/Emergency Government/Contractors</p> <p>b. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget/Possible FEMA Reimbursement</p> <p>c. <i>Completion date</i> – Immediately after storm occurrence</p>
	<p>5.</p> <p>a. <i>Responsible Party</i> –</p> <p>b. <i>Funding source</i> –</p> <p>c. <i>Completion date</i> –</p>

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Mitigation Strategy Name		Winter Storm	
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	Public Education & Awareness	Structural Project	
<i>Describe the overall improvements to the community including the purpose for and the desired outcome from implementing this strategy</i>	Overall purpose is to keep roads open so people can get the services they need. Offer shelter to those displaced from their homes.		
Define the steps to achieving this mitigation strategy			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Install snow fence to minimize drifting, mow ditches so snow doesn't collect and maintain trees so they don't weight down and create hazards. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Town Highway Department b. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget c. <i>Completion date</i> – Every fall 			

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	<p>3. Maintain list contractors to assist with snow removal.</p> <p>a. <i>Responsible Party</i> – Highway Superintendent</p> <p>b. <i>Funding source</i> – Town Budget/Possible FEMA reimbursement</p> <p>c. <i>Completion date</i> – Ongoing</p>
	<p>4.</p> <p>a. <i>Responsible Party</i> –</p> <p>b. <i>Funding source</i> –</p> <p>c. <i>Completion date</i> –</p>
	<p>5.</p> <p>a. <i>Responsible Party</i> –</p> <p>b. <i>Funding source</i> –</p> <p>c. <i>Completion date</i> –</p>