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Board of Supervisors Adopts 2021 Multijurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

County of San Mateo completes update of plan to prepare for natural hazards

Redwood City — The San Mateo County Board of Supervisors today adopted the 2021 Multijurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, a five-year blueprint for the County and its partners to reduce the impact of natural hazards such as earthquake, fire, flooding, extreme heat and landslide.

The Board's action also triggers Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) final approval, which ensures the County of San Mateo and its planning partners remain eligible for pre- and post-disaster mitigation project grant funding.

The County of San Mateo, led by the Department of Emergency Management, and its 35 planning partners began updating the previous plan in January and asked the public to help identify solutions to the problems associated with natural hazards. As the plan was developed, the County invited community members to participate in the hazard mitigation plan by reviewing and commenting on the Draft Multijurisdictional Plan and/or attending two virtual public workshops in June and August.

The 2021 update includes all 20 cities in San Mateo County, the unincorporated area and 15 special districts. Collectively, these plan partners identified over 700 actions they plan to implement over the next five years to reduce the risk of hazards in the county.

The 2021 update will remain active through 2025.

For more information about the Multijurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan:

- Visit the project's website at: <https://cmo.smcgov.org/multijurisdictional-local-hazard-mitigation-plan>;
- Send an email to MJLHMP@smcgov.org; and/or
- Contact Ann Ludwig, Project Manager at 510-734-9831.

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