



# HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE PUBLIC SURVEY

## BACKGROUND

Ontario County and the following jurisdictions: Cities of Canandaigua and Geneva; Towns of Bristol, Canadice, Canandaigua, East Bloomfield, Farmington, Geneva, Gorham, Hopewell, Manchester, Naples, Phelps, Richmond, Seneca, South Bristol, Victor, and West Bloomfield; and Villages of Broomfield, Clifton Springs, Manchester, Naples, Phelps, Rushville, Shortsville, and Victor are updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The Plan Update will address hazards that affect the area. The Plan Update aims to minimize or eliminate the long-term risk to human life and property from known hazards through effective mitigation. Public input will help the project team to analyze potential hazards affecting residents and recommend possible actions to reduce their impact.

### ELECTRONIC SURVEY



<https://tinyurl.com/OntarioCountyHMAPSurvey>

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## SURVEY

1. Jurisdiction (city or community) of residence:

2. Have you ever experienced or been impacted by a disaster?

Yes (Please explain below)

No



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## SURVEY (CONTINUED)

8. If you do not have flood insurance, why not?

- Not located in floodplain
- Too expensive
- Not necessary because it never floods
- Not necessary because I'm elevated or otherwise protected
- Never really considered it

9. Have you taken any actions to make your home or neighborhood more resistant to hazards?

- Yes (*Please explain below*)                       No

10. Are you interested in making your home or neighborhood more resistant to hazards?

- Yes     No

11. What is the most effective way for you to receive information about how to make your home and neighborhood more resistant to hazards?

- Newspaper                       Television                       Radio
- Internet                               Mail                               Public Meetings/Workshops
- School Meetings                       Other (*Please explain below*)

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## SURVEY (CONTINUED)

**12.** In your opinion, please select the steps your local government should prioritize to reduce or eliminate the risk of future hazard damages in your neighborhood.

- Assist vulnerable property owners with securing funding to protect their property
- Buyout flood prone properties and maintain as open space
- Construct, maintain, or retrofit infrastructure to reduce hazard impact (*e.g. elevating roadways, improving drainage systems, dams, detention basins, storm sewers, etc.*)
- Construct safe rooms and shelters for use during hazard events
- Create a stream gage and weather monitoring program for more accurate data and warnings
- Disclose natural hazard risks during real estate transactions
- Distribute information on water conservation methods to use during drought event
- Enhance stream maintenance projects
- Implement awareness program for flood insurance and discounts
- Inform property owners how to minimize damage to their properties
- Install indoor / outdoor warning systems throughout county
- Preserve or restore natural systems to reduce hazard impacts (*e.g. floodplain protection, habitat preservation, slope stabilization and forest management*)
- Prevent / restrict development in hazard-prone areas
- Protect and strengthen critical facilities (*e.g. transportation, hospitals, fire stations, schools*)
- Protect historical and cultural landmarks
- Protect and improve reliability of utilities
- Provide accessible resources for individuals with communication disabilities (*e.g. braille*)
- Strengthen building codes and laws to improve standards for development in high hazard areas
- Other (*Please explain on the following page*)

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**13.** Are there any other issues regarding the reduction of risk and loss associated with hazards or disasters in the community that you think are important? *Some examples may include: frequency and type of communication, addressing climate change, restricting development, etc.*

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## SURVEY (CONTINUED)

14. A number of community-wide activities can reduce our risk from hazards. In general, these activities fall into one of the following six broad categories. Please tell us how important you think each one is for your community to consider pursuing.

CATEGORIES	IMPORTANCE		
	Low	Moderate	High
<b>Emergency Services</b> - Actions that protect people and property during and immediately after a hazard event. <i>Examples include warning systems, evacuation planning, emergency response training, and protection of critical facilities or systems.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Natural Resource Protection</b> - Actions that, in addition to minimizing hazard losses, also preserve or restore the functions of natural systems. <i>Examples include floodplain protection, habitat preservation, slope stabilization, riparian buffers, and forest management.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Prevention/Local Plans &amp; Regulations</b> - Administrative or regulatory actions that influence the way land is developed and buildings are built. <i>Examples include planning and zoning, building codes, open space preservation, and floodplain regulations.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Property Protection</b> - Actions that involve the modification of existing buildings to protect them from a hazard or removal from the hazard area. <i>Examples include acquisition, relocation, elevation, structural retrofits, and storm shutters.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Public Education and Awareness</b> - Actions to inform citizens about hazards and techniques they can use to protect themselves and their property. <i>Examples include outreach projects, school education programs, library materials, and demonstration events.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Structural Projects</b> - Actions intended to lessen the impact of a hazard by modifying the natural progression of the hazard. <i>Examples include dams, levees, seawalls detention/retention basins, channel modification, retaining walls, and storm sewers.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!**

If you would like to be notified of upcoming meetings related to the Ontario County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan, please provide your contact information:

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**