# Montana Eastern Region Hazard Mitigation Plan Public Input Survey

The State of Montana Disaster and Emergency Services (MT DES) is coordinating the creation of a new Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan that will encompass all counties, municipalities, and tribal nations in the Eastern Region of Montana. The Regional Plans will build off existing local hazard mitigation plans in the Region and be developed in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and Regional Resilience Toolkit planning guidance.

The Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan analyzes each county, municipality and Tribe's vulnerabilities to natural and human-caused hazards and identifies mitigation actions that can be taken to minimize property damage and improve life safety prior to a hazard event.

The purpose of this survey is to collect information from the public and stakeholders to better understand the vulnerabilities within the Eastern Region as well as solicit input on needs to best mitigate, or reduce, the impacts of hazards before they occur. The feedback will be shared with local planning committees to inform the planning process.

Please complete this survey by November 28, 2022

We highly recommend filling out the online version at: <u>https://bit.ly/3yb6SBM</u>

Alternately please take a few moments to complete and return the form where it was distributed or provide to your County or Tribal emergency management office.



## **Community Information**

- 1. Which County or Reservation do you live in?
- 🗆 Big Horn
- 🗆 Carbon
- $\Box$  Carter
- □ Crow Tribe
- □ Custer
- $\Box$  Daniels
- Dawson
- □ Fallon
- $\hfill\square$  Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes
- □ Garfield
- □ Golden Valley
- □ McCone
- □ Musselshell
- $\Box$  Other

- □ Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation
- □ Powder River
- 🗆 Prairie
- □ Richland
- $\square$  Roosevelt
- □ Rosebud
- $\Box$  Sheridan
- $\Box$  Stillwater
- □ Treasure
- Valley
- $\Box$  Wheatland
- □ Wibaux
- □ Yellowstone

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2. Where in the county do you live?

□ Unincorporated

□ Municipality

 $\hfill\square$  Reservation

3. List the specific community name:

## Hazard Significance

4. The hazards addressed in the Eastern Region Hazard Mitigation Plan update are listed below. Please indicate the level of significance (low, medium, or high) you perceive for each hazard for in the community you live.

Hazard Low		Medium	High
Avalanche			
Dam Failure			
Drought			
Earthquake			
Flooding			
Landslide			
Severe Summer Weather (extreme heat, thunderstorms, hail, lightning)			
Severe Winter Weather (extreme cold, heavy snow, blizzard)			
Tornadoes and Windstorms			
Transportation Accidents			
Wildland and Rangeland Fire			
Volcanic Ashfall			
Hazardous Materials Incidents			
Human Conflict (Terrorism, Civil Unrest, etc.)			
Communicable Disease			
Cyber-Attack			

Other? (Note in space below other hazards of concern that are not		
listed above)		

#### Specific Hazard Issues/Problems

5. Do you have information on specific hazard issues/problem areas that you would like the planning committee to consider? Note the jurisdiction (County, Tribal Nation or Municipality) to which it applies:

#### Pre-Disaster Mitigation Actions

Mitigation includes actions that can be taken to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk to hazards.

Category	Low	Medium	High
Local Planning and Regulations (Addressing hazards in Plans and Policies)			
Structure and Infrastructure projects (Improving Buildings and Infrastructure)			
Natural Systems Protection (Protecting Sensitive Areas)			
Education and Awareness Programs			
Enhancing Administration and Procedures			

6. Indicate the level of significance the following mitigation action categories.

- 7. The following types of mitigation actions may be considered in the Eastern Region. Please indicate the types of mitigation actions that you think should have the highest priority in the Eastern Region Hazard Mitigation Plan.
  - □ Indoor/Outdoor Warning
  - □ Wildfire Fuels Treatment projects
  - $\Box$  Wildfire Defensible Space
  - Critical Facilities Protection
  - $\Box$  Generators for Critical Facilities
  - $\Box$  Land Use Planning
  - $\Box$  Public Education/Awareness on Hazards

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- $\Box$  Stormwater Drainage Improvements
- □ Forest Health/Watershed Protection
- □ Stream Stabilization/Restoration
- □ Flood Mitigation
- $\hfill\square$  Access to Flood Insurance
- $\hfill\square$  Education and Discounts on Flood Insurance
- □ Floodprone Property Buyout
- $\Box$  Water Conservation
- $\Box$  Landslide Mitigation
- □ Rockfall Mitigation
- $\Box$  Evacuation Route Development
- $\Box$  Dam safety
- Public Health Incident Preparedness
- □ Improve Reliability of Communications Systems
- $\Box$  Severe Weather Shelters (Tornado, Winter Storm)
- $\Box$  Windbreaks And Snow Fences
- □ Electrical Power Grid Resiliency

## Pre-Disaster Mitigation Action Ideas

8. Please comment on any other pre-disaster hazard mitigation actions that the planning committee should consider for reducing future losses caused by natural disasters:

## Contact Information (Optional)

Optional: Provide your name and email address if you would like to be added to a distribution list for upcoming activities related to the planning process: