

"Hazard Mitigation Planning- Maximizing Update Resources."



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Combination of Two Projects

- ▶ Severe Repetitive Loss Outreach Strategy Guide
- ▶ Integration of Floodplain Management Into the Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) Guide



Collaborative Project



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Planning

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Severe Repetitive Loss Outreach Strategy

Recommendations for Plan Update

- ▶ Recommendations for education and support to the SRL communities
- ▶ Highlight the importance of including these properties on the Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) project list

Success Stories

- ▶ Improve methods of outreach for mitigation, specifically with respect to Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL) properties

Purpose of This Work

Recommendations for Plan Update

- ▶ Evaluate and revise Section 7: SRL Outreach Strategy of the State Hazard Mitigation Plan
- ▶ Provide examples of what has been proven to work

Success Stories

- ▶ Be a companion to the state's Severe Repetitive Loss Outreach Strategy
- ▶ Be a reference that local communities can use in determining how to mitigate SRL's



What was FSU's Role?

- ▶ Sub grantee to FDEM
- ▶ Project was conducted as a studio project for 4 graduate students in the Urban and Regional Planning program
- ▶ Students provided services as if contractors, requiring deliverables and presentations throughout the process



Integration of Floodplain Management Into the Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) Guide

- ▶ Assist with the incorporation of floodplain management concepts, policies, and practices into multi-jurisdictional LMS plans
- ▶ Set forth a plan of action that can be used by all Florida's communities to enhance the flood portions of their LMS plans, a practice that was woefully lacking previously



Purpose of Guide

- ▶ A “How to”
- ▶ To guide local LMS working groups in the incorporation of floodplain hazard/vulnerability and management into their LMS plan
- ▶ Allow communities to see what has worked, to know what to avoid, and to understand what can be improved on in order to define and describe floodplain management
- ▶ Be better able to promote the LMS plan as an overall floodplain management plan



What was FSU's Role?

- ▶ Sub grantee to FDEM
- ▶ Employed 2 graduate interns from FSU Department of Urban and Regional Planning
- ▶ Interns worked at the FDEM on this project and received intern credit for FSU



Conclusion

- ▶ When updating a Hazard Mitigation Plan it is beneficial to “Maximize Update Resources”
 - Think outside the box – ex. Interns
 - Prepare between updates by researching what others are doing
 - Look at all your resources and options (Staff vs Contractor vs Intern)
 - Use available funding sources
 - What’s feasible



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