



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

ADOPTION OF THE COOK COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, all of Cook County has exposure to natural hazards that increase the risk to life, property, environment and the County's economy; and

WHEREAS, proactive mitigation of known hazards before a disaster event can reduce or eliminate long-term risk to life and property; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-390) established new requirements for pre- and post-disaster hazard mitigation programs; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management began the development of the Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan in 2013 to prepare and lessen the impacts of natural hazards to the County

WHEREAS, a coalition of 115 partners throughout Cook County, to include the County, Cities, Villages and the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago has been formed to pool resources and create consistent mitigation strategies within Cook County; and

WHEREAS, the coalition of Planning Partners has completed a planning process that engages the public, assesses the risk and vulnerability to the impacts of natural hazards, develop a mitigation strategy consistent with a set of uniform goals and objectives and creates a plan for implementing, evaluating and revising this strategy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners:

1. Does hereby adopt, in its entirety, Volume 1 and 2 of the Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP);
2. Will use the adopted and approved HMP to guide pre- and post-disaster mitigation of the identified hazards;
3. Will coordinate the strategies identified in the HMP with other planning programs and mechanisms within Cook County;
4. Will continue to support the Steering Committee and continue to participate in the Planning Partnership as described in the HMP;
5. Will help to promote and support the mitigation successes of all HMP Planning Partners as listed in the Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President and the Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners approve the Plan as presented.