

Town of Thatcher Begins Work on Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

A planning team of representatives from the Town of Thatcher, the City of Safford, the Town of Pima, and Graham County are participating in a county-wide hazard mitigation planning update process. The purpose of this process is to update the current Graham County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, previously approved by FEMA on 9/12/2011. Local, county, tribal and state governments are required to have a FEMA approved hazard mitigation plan in order to be eligible for federal hazard mitigation grant funds and other types of disaster funding. The plan focuses on the area's most threatening hazards and establishes a strategy to reduce or eliminate the impact from those hazards to protect the people and property of Graham County. The planning team anticipates having a plan draft in November 2016, at which time public access to the updated plan draft will be provided, with the opportunity to again comment.

You may view the 2011 Graham County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan at the Thatcher Town Hall or on the Graham County website. For more information or should you have questions regarding the hazard mitigation planning process/plan, please contact Heath Brown, 3700 W. Main St, Thatcher, AZ, hbrown@thatcher.az.gov.