

# Appendix A

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# Adoption Resolution Template

RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 was signed in to law on October 30, 2000, placing new emphasis on state and local mitigation planning for natural hazards and requiring communities to adopt a hazard mitigation action plan to be eligible for pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan was prepared by Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties, with assistance from JEO Consulting Group, Inc. of Lincoln, NE.

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the mitigation plan was to lessen the effects of disasters by increasing the disaster resistance of the counties and participating jurisdictions located within the planning boundary by identifying the hazards that affect \_\_\_\_\_ and prioritize mitigation strategies to reduce potential loss of life and property damage from those hazards, and

**WHEREAS**, FEMA regulations require documentation that the plan has been formally adopted by the governing body of \_\_\_\_\_ in the form of a resolution and further requesting approval of the plan at the Federal Level; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the governing body of \_\_\_\_\_ does herewith adopt the Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan in its entirety; and

PASSED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of Council

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

## Participating Jurisdictions Round 1 Meeting Invitation Letter



July 27, 2020

RE: Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties  
Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Round One Public Meeting

Dear Hazard Mitigation Planning Participant,

Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties are beginning the first phase of the Hazard Mitigation Plan update. Your jurisdiction is required to attend a meeting in order to participate in the plan. Once a community, county, or district is part of an approved plan, they become eligible for up to a 75% cost share from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for a variety of projects listed in the plan. **New FEMA directives state that you must participate directly in the plan to be eligible for this funding.** The plan examines regional and local vulnerabilities to a range of hazards (i.e. flooding, severe winter storms, drought, chemical spills, etc.) and identifies strategies and projects to reduce their impact.

The plan update and approval process will last 9 to 12-months and will include two rounds of public planning meetings. Unlike the previous Hazard Mitigation Plan update, the county is no longer allowed to sponsor communities and attend meetings in their place. **FEMA requires at least one representative from your jurisdiction to attend planning meetings.** Please attend one of the upcoming meetings shown below. Each meeting will last 1.5 to 2 hours.

The first round of planning meetings will be held in:

- **Grant:** Wednesday, **March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm** at the Perkins County Courthouse, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Grant, NE 69140
- **Imperial:** Wednesday, **March 4<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm** at the EMS Building, 1215 Grant Street, Imperial, NE 69033
- **Benkelman:** Thursday, **March 5<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm** at the EMS Building, 1305 A Street, Benkelman, NE 69021

One-on-one meetings with JEO staff are available if you are unable to attend a public meeting.

To RSVP to one of the meetings or set up a one-on-one meeting, contact Karl Dietrich, JEO Planner, at (402) 742-7213 or [kdietrich@jeo.com](mailto:kdietrich@jeo.com). For more information, you can visit the project website at <https://jeo.com/perkins-chase-and-dundy-county-hazard-mitigation-plan>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Phil Luebbert'.

Phil Luebbert  
Project Manager

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# STAKEHOLDERS ROUND 1 MEETING INVITATION LETTER



July 27, 2020

RE: Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties  
Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Round One Public Meeting

Dear Hazard Mitigation Plan Stakeholder,

Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties are beginning the first phase of the Hazard Mitigation Plan update. Jurisdictions are required to attend a meeting in order to participate in the plan. Once a community, county, or district is part of an approved plan, they become eligible for up to a 75% cost share from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for a variety of projects listed in the plan. **You are receiving this letter because you are a potential stakeholder for this planning effort.**

The plan examines regional and local vulnerabilities to a range of hazards (i.e. flooding, severe winter storms, drought, chemical spills, etc.) and identifies strategies and projects to reduce their impact. **As a stakeholder, you are encouraged to provide input to the planning process to ensure identified mitigation efforts are appropriate and consistent with the special needs of the organization you represent.** Your input will be integrated into the larger community profile prepared by your community's local representatives.

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Sincerely,

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## Participating Jurisdictions Round 2 Meeting Invitation Letter



May 6, 2020

RE: Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties  
Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Round Two Public Meeting

Dear Hazard Mitigation Planning Participant,

Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties are moving forward with the second phase of updating the multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). **You are receiving this letter because your jurisdiction's attendance is required in order to continue participation in this planning effort.**

HMPs identify vulnerabilities, and possible impacts and losses within participating jurisdictions to various natural and human-caused hazards. The HMP also identifies projects and strategies aimed at enhancing community resilience and preparedness for specific hazards. The intent of these meetings is to gather and review vital information including identifying new mitigation alternatives, discussing community capabilities, and review of previously collected data.

**FEMA requires at least one designated representative from your jurisdiction to participate in the planning process in order to be recognized as a participating jurisdiction.** This is the second and last meeting required in this planning process. Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, we will be meeting virtually using Zoom with the option to join online or by phone. Please **attend one** of the upcoming meetings shown below. Each meeting will last about one hour or less. If you are unable to attend one of the meetings, a one-on-one meeting can also be held.

- Option 1: Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 pm MT.
  - Join online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88398492586>
  - Phone: (346) 248-7799; Meeting ID: 883 9849 2586
- Option 2: Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm MT.
  - Join online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83164545886>
  - Phone: (346) 248-7799; Meeting ID: 831 6454 5886

You can access and download your jurisdiction's meeting worksheets starting June 2<sup>nd</sup> by visiting this Google Drive link: <https://bit.ly/2WsYNVg>.

To RSVP to a meeting or set up a one-on-one meeting, contact Karl Dietrich, at (402) 742-7213 or [kdietrich@jeo.com](mailto:kdietrich@jeo.com). For updates and information on this planning effort, please visit: <https://jeo.com/perkins-chase-and-dundy-county-hazard-mitigation-plan>.

**We are looking forward to seeing you online!**

Sincerely,

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## Letter of Public Review Notification



July 30, 2020

RE: Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Update

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is being sent to inform you that the current draft of the Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan is now available for Public Review online. This draft includes the latest revisions that were discussed at the second round of meetings.

**You may review the draft at the project website: <https://jeo.com/perkins-chase-and-dundy-county-hazard-mitigation-plan>**

The draft is available for a public comment period between **Monday, August 3rd to Monday, August 17th, 2020**. At the end of this period, the complete multi-jurisdictional plan will be submitted to the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for final approval.

**This is your last opportunity to review the plan and submit to JEO any requested changes or corrections, prior to its submission to NEMA and FEMA.**

Please carefully review this draft with your local planning team and verify that the information therein is accurate to the best of your knowledge. Please inform JEO as soon as possible should you desire any changes. To request changes, you can markup the section, scan it, and email it to [kdietrich@jeo.com](mailto:kdietrich@jeo.com); fax it to (402) 435-4110; or mail your revisions to our Lincoln office (address below), Attn: Karl Dietrich.

If JEO does not receive changes from you by Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, we will assume that your jurisdiction has reviewed this section and approves of it as written.

Thank you for helping us provide your community with an accurate and comprehensive hazard mitigation plan. If you would like more information about this planning effort, please contact me at (402) 474-8768 or [pluebbert@jeo.com](mailto:pluebbert@jeo.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Phil Luebbert".

Phil Luebbert, Project Manager

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## Project Flyer



# Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Perkins, Chase, and Dundee Counties are leading the planning effort to update its 2015 Hazard Mitigation Plan, or HMP. Residents and entities across the planning area are encouraged to participate in the plan update process.

**Hazards** pose **risk** to people, property, the environment, and the economy.



These include but are not limited to: tornadoes, wildfire, severe winter storms, flooding, dam failure, and agricultural disease.

**Mitigation** is any action that reduces **risk**.



These actions depend on the needs of individual participants, but common projects include backup generators, storm shelters, alert sirens, and education or public awareness programs.

A **Hazard Mitigation Plan**



is a community-driven, living document that **assesses vulnerability** to natural and man-made hazards and **identifies mitigation strategies** to reduce vulnerability.

### Why Your Community Should Participate in the Plan:

- » To gain eligibility for FEMA mitigation grant programs
- » To identify strategies to reduce your community's risk to hazards and disasters
- » To build relationships within your community and region that foster resilience across a larger geographic area

**Find out how YOU can be involved by checking the project website!**

<https://jeo.com/perkins-chase-and-dundy-county-hazard-mitigation-plan>

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# Project Website



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## Perkins, Chase, and Dundy County

### Hazard Mitigation Plan

#### Project Purpose

Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties are working with JEO Consulting Group to update the 2015 Perkins, Chase, and Dundy Counties Hazard Mitigation Plan. A hazard mitigation plan is a community-guided document that identifies vulnerability to hazards and mitigation projects to reduce or eliminate this vulnerability. Hazard mitigation plans are a requirement of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Having an approved and updated plan enables your community to be stronger and more resilient by:

1. Reducing your community's risk and impacts from disasters,
2. Gaining eligibility for pre- and post-disaster mitigation grants, and
3. Building partnerships within your community.

Members of the community, schools, NRD, fire departments, hospitals, and other jurisdictions within the three counties are invited to participate in this process by attending meetings and providing information for the plan.

This hazard mitigation plan updated is funded by a FEMA planning grant. The cost is shared 75% through federal funding and 25% through a local match. For this plan update, Perkins County, Chase County, and Dundy County are providing the 25% local match.













