

Appendix B

Mailings and Communications

This section of the Plan is intended to be used as a place to collect letters, emails, and other written communications regarding the formulation, revision, approval, and adoption of the 2010 Revision of the Wayne County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Not only is this intended to provide documentation of the revision process, it is designed to give additional insight into the planning process. (This section is to include advertisements and notifications made to the public about this plan. Please note that any official documents of Jurisdictional adoption will be found in Appendix A.)

Summary of Changes

2010 Edition

Wayne County Hazard Mitigation Plan

The changes between the 2004 Edition of the Wayne County All-Hazards Mitigation Plan and the 2010 Edition of the Wayne County Hazard Mitigation Plan are essentially formatting and factual data updates. The formatting updates make the plan more streamlined and the factual data updates make the plan current with available information and technology.

The factual changes to the 2010 Edition focused primarily on updating historical data to reflect what is currently available and ensuring that the current status of the County's various mitigation activities would be accurately portrayed. There were two notable changes in this regard. Newly available data allowed for the inclusion of maps depicting the location of the Weather Sirens placed throughout the County. The other change was that a 'Disaster Profile' in the Original, labeled "Thunderstorms and Lightning", was refocused to become "Severe Thunderstorm/High Winds" in the Revision. This was changed based on data available from the National Climactic Data Center (NCDC) and to alleviate some redundancy within the County Hazard Assessment. Other changes involved adding information to comply with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mandates. The most important of these was an increased focus on compliance and continued participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to fulfill FEMA Guideline requirements that were instituted in 2008. As part of these FEMA requirements, newly updated floodplain maps were also included in the Revision.

Format changes were enacted to provide a more streamlined and professional product. The majority of these format changes are editorial and were done to correct grammatical errors contained in the 2004 Edition and to provide the 2010 Edition with a more standardized typeset. The order of some of the sections was rearranged to provide better continuity and Sections 5 and 6 in the 2004 Edition were combined into Section 6 in the Revision. The Revision was renamed the *Wayne County Hazard Mitigation Plan* in order to better reflect its scope (both documents focus on natural hazards and hazardous materials release, but do not discuss man-made hazards) and to help differentiate it from the Original. In the Revision, all mention of the "Planning Committee" was changed to the "Core Committee" to distinguish it from the Planning Commission and to better reflect the wording used in FEMA Guidelines.



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June 10, 2010

Wayne County Commissioners
c/o John Wise, EMA Director
Justice Center
201 West North Street, Lower Level
Wooster, OH 44691

Re: Intergovernmental Review of the
Wayne County Hazard Mitigation Plan 2010 Revision

Dear John:

On Wednesday, June 9, 2010 the Wayne County Planning Commission voted to grant Clearance through the IGR process on the above-referenced Hazard Mitigation Plan.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Sincerely,

WAYNE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Lisa K. Johnson
Assistant Director

pc: Wayne County Commissioners, via email
June 9, 2010 PC Mtg./IGR File

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