

SUMMARY NOTES

Hazard Mitigation Plan Workgroup – Meeting 7
Monday, October 24, 2022, 1-2:30 pm

Agenda Item	Notes
1. Welcome & Introductions	Members typed their names and affiliations into the chat.
2. Wildfire Ready Neighbors Program (Jenny Coe, DNR)	<p>Jenny Coe, Wildfire Resilience Coordinator for Western Washington, discussed wildfire resilience opportunities for the county. Programs include the Community Wildfire Defense Grant, a federal program that provides funding for the development of county-level Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPPs) or implementation of projects listed in them or the wildfire section of a hazard mitigation plan. Wildfire Ready Neighbors (https://wildfireready.dnr.wa.gov/) is a DNR funded program to provide communities and individuals with tools to reduce their wildfire risk. Individuals can use the online tool to assess their property's vulnerability to wildfires and suggest actions they can take to reduce their risk. Individuals can also set up a forest health consultation or wildfire assessment where a representative will come out and provide a one-on-one consultation with a resident. Work will begin in spring 2023 to roll out the Wildfire Ready Neighbors program in Pierce, Mason, and Thurston counties. Outreach activities in Thurston County will focus in the West Thurston Regional Fire Authority service area.</p> <p>Thurston County recently received a grant to implement a firewise outreach program. This program is just starting and Thurston County Emergency Management will be reaching out to partners.</p> <p>Workgroup members discussed the importance of accurate wildfire risk data to support Community Wildfire Defense Grants.</p>
3. Risk Assessment Structure (Paul Brewster)	Brewster shared draft outlines of the hazard profiles in the core hazard mitigation plan and partner annexes. The core plan's hazard profiles will include definitions, locations, extents, previous incidents and probability of occurrence, vulnerabilities and impacts to a range of groups, and countywide risk ratings. Annex hazard profiles will include the same elements, but most are optional if plan partners want to expand on the elements in the core plan. Required elements of the annex's hazard profiles include risk ratings specific to the jurisdiction and discussions of vulnerabilities and impacts to various groups.
4. Plan Goals & Policies (Paul Brewster)	Brewster shared the goals and policies and guiding principles from the 2017 hazard mitigation plan with suggested redlines. Plan partners can send feedback to TRPC regarding the goals and policies and guiding principles.
5. Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 2:06 pm.

Meeting summary is prepared by Casey Mauck, Assistant Planner, Thurston Regional Planning Council. This summary is not verbatim. A recording of this meeting is available at <https://www.trpc.org/Calendar.aspx?EID=639>

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Workgroup Members

Aletia Alvarez (Port of Olympia)	Kim Gubbe (Thurston PUD)
Brad Medrud (City of Tumwater)	Leonard Johnson (TCFD 9)
Brian Richardson (SETFA)	Lit Dudley (WSDOT)
Carlos Aviles (City of Lacey)	Mike Buchanan (City of Olympia)
Carrie Gillum (City of Tumwater)	Mike Presswood (Thurston County)
Cathy Jones-Gooding (TCOMM 911)	Peter Tassoni (Thurston County)
Cherie Nevin (Thurston County)	Rob Smith (WTRFA)
Dan Beaudoin (ESD 113)	Robert Scott (WTRFA)
Ed Taylor (City of Lacey)	Roger Dickinson (City of Lacey)
Emily Bergkamp (Intercity Transit)	Shannon Shula (Thurston County)
Gagan Brar (City of Lacey)	Steve Swan (Intercity Transit)
Hans Shepherd (City of Lacey)	Wendy Couture (Olympia School District)
Julie Jaspersen (TESC)	

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Paul Brewster, Project Manager (TRPC)	Brandon Cheney (Thurston County)
Casey Mauck (TRPC)	Rob Flaner (Tetra Tech)