

15 – Town of Plover

15.1 Local Hazard Mitigation Planning Team

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This annex was developed by the local hazard mitigation planning team, whose members are listed in Table 15-1.

Table 15-1. Local Mitigation Planning Team Members			
Name	Title	Name	Title
Roger Bentley	Supervisor	James Garbe	Chairman
Joe Firkus	Supervisor		
Dick Pingel	Supervisor		
Rex Rossier	Supervisor		
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Patricia Weller	Clerk/Treasurer		

15.2 Jurisdiction Profile

15.2.1 Location and Features

The Town of Plover is located in west-central Portage County and extends from the Wood County line on the west side of the township to the boundary with Stockton and Buena Vista on the east of the township, surrounding the Village of Plover's western, southern and eastern boundaries. The western part of the township is bordered on the north by the Wisconsin River and by the Town of Grant to the south.

The Town of Plover is located in a geologic province known as the sand-plain province. This province was formed by glacial meltwaters depositing an extensive mix of sand and gravel with small amounts of clay or silt. The average thickness of these deposits is less than 50 feet in the western part of the Town to

over 100 feet in the eastern part of the Town. The topography is flat and sandy which is a direct result of the stratified sand and gravel deposits of glacial meltwaters that created the broad flood plain.

15.2.2 History

The history of the Town of Plover dates back to the mid-nineteenth century. Between that time and the mid-twentieth century, Plover went through many mapping changes and was at one point the County seat. Over the years, several attempts were made to incorporate parts of the Town of Plover into the Village of Plover. The attempts either failed at the ballot box or were successful and failed financially in their attempt to continue operating under a Village structure. In 1971, the voters chose to once again incorporate as a Village and successfully exists to date. Boundary lines were drawn between the Village and the Township, however, the Village continues to annex adjoining lands as expansion dictates. These annexations are the main contributor to the decline experienced in both population and tax base for the Town of Plover since 1995. In 2024, the Town of Plover encompasses approximately 22,157 acres and has an estimated population of 1,565.

15.2.3 Governing Body Format

The Town of Plover has a five member Town Board consisting of four Supervisors and the Chairperson. Two Supervisors and the Chairperson are elected in odd numbered years during the April election. The other two Supervisors are elected in even numbered years. The Clerk/Treasurer is a combined elected position and is on the same election cycle as the Chairperson.

15.3 Current Trends

15.3.1 Population

The Town of Plover, Wisconsin, exhibits a demographic profile characterized by a population decline and a moderately younger age structure compared to the surrounding Portage County. Annexations to the Village of Plover have been a significant contributor to the decline in population over the past 30 years. As of 2020, the population stood at 1,565 residents, representing a decrease from the 2010 census. The community's racial makeup is predominantly white (89.2%), with a median age of 40.1, that is slightly lower higher than the county average of 38.3. A small percentage of the population (3.9%) speaks a language other than English at home.

Economically, the Town of Plover demonstrates mixed performance. The median household income (\$84,357) exceeds the county average (\$70,061) but the poverty rate (11.8%) is higher than the county's 9.1%. While the homeownership rate (85.1%) remains above the county average (66.9), it is lower than the exceptional rates seen in some neighboring towns.

The percentage of residents with a bachelor's degree or higher (31.6%) aligns with the county average (31.1%). The employment rate in Plover (60.0%) is slightly lower than the county rate (63.8%). It's important to note that a portion of the population (9.8%) lives with disabilities. The percentage of residents lacking health insurance coverage (3.5%) is slightly lower than the county average (5.1%). According to The HHS emPOWER Program, the 54467-zip code also has 3,266 Medicare beneficiaries, 39 of them receive oxygen services, 53 of them receive home health services, and 119 of them use electricity dependent devices or durable medical equipment.

15.3.2 Climate

Based on weather reports collected from 1992-2021, July is the hottest month of the year with an average temperature of 70 degrees and January is the coldest month of the year with an average temperature of 16 degrees. Annual precipitation totals 33.37" of moisture.

The National Environmental Modeling and Analysis Center (NEMAC) predicts potential changes in Portage County's climate due to rising emissions. By 2050, average daily highs could increase by up to 3 degrees Fahrenheit, with lows potentially rising by 3 degrees. While total precipitation might stay relatively stable, its distribution could change, leading to more intense rainfall events.

15.3.3 Development

Table 15-2 summarizes development trends in the performance period since the preparation of the previous hazard mitigation plan, as well as expected future development trends.

Table 15-2. Recent and Expected Future Development Trends

Criterion	Response					
Has your jurisdiction annexed any land since the preparation of the previous hazard mitigation plan? <i>If yes, give the estimated area annexed and estimated number of parcels or structures.</i>	No, however we are routinely subject to land be annexed from the Town to the City of Stevens Point or the Village of Plover.					
Is your jurisdiction expected to annex any areas during the performance period of this plan? <i>If yes, describe land areas and dominant uses.</i> <i>If yes, who currently has permitting authority over these areas?</i>	No					
Are any areas targeted for development or major redevelopment in the next five years? <i>If yes, briefly describe, including whether any of the areas are in known hazard risk areas</i>	Yes There are plans for two industrial scale solar farms to locate in the Town of Plover encompasses over 10,000 acres that is currently being used for agricultural purpose.					
How many permits for new construction were issued in your jurisdiction since the preparation of the previous hazard mitigation plan?		2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Single Family	[4]	[6]	[4]	[7]	[5]
	Accessory Dwelling Unit	[2]	[10]	[4]	[3]	[6]
	Multi-Family	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]
	Other (commercial, mixed use, etc.)	[2]	[0]	[3]	[4]	[5]
	Total	[8]	[16]	[11]	[11]	[16]
Provide the number of new construction permits for each hazard area or provide a qualitative description of where development has occurred.	No new construction permits have been issued in any known hazard areas.					
Describe the level of buildout in the jurisdiction, based on your jurisdiction's buildable lands inventory. If no such inventory exists, provide a qualitative description.	The subdivisions located in the township have few undeveloped lots remaining. A large share of our township is devoted to agriculture.					

15.4 Capability Assessment

This section describes an assessment of existing capabilities for implementing hazard mitigation strategies. The base plan of the hazard mitigation plan describes the components included in the capability assessment and their significance for hazard mitigation planning. This section summarizes the following findings of the assessment:

- An assessment of planning and regulatory capabilities is presented in Table 15-3.

- Development and permitting capabilities are presented in Table 15-4.
- An assessment of fiscal capabilities is presented in Table 15-5.
- An assessment of administrative and technical capabilities is presented in Table 15-6.
- An assessment of education and outreach capabilities is presented in Table 15-7.
- Information on National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) compliance is presented in Table 15-8.
- Classifications under various community mitigation programs are presented in Table 15-9.
- The community's adaptive capacity for the impacts of climate change is presented in Table 15-10.

Findings of the capability assessment were reviewed to identify opportunities to expand, initiate or integrate capabilities to further hazard mitigation goals and objectives.

Table 15-3. Planning and Regulatory Capability				
	Local Authority	Other Jurisdiction Authority	State Mandated	Integration Opportunity?
Codes, Ordinances, & Requirements				
Building Code	Yes		Yes	
<i>Comment: Building Inspector hired by Town; Ordinance #20180321 defines jurisdictional authority for construction and moving of buildings.</i>				
Zoning Code	No	Yes	No	
<i>Comment: Portage County Planning & Zoning Department does administration.</i>				
Subdivisions	Yes	Yes	Yes	
<i>Comment: Portage County Planning & Zoning Department (more restrictive than Town's)</i>				
Stormwater Management	No	Yes	Yes	
<i>Comment: Portage County Planning & Zoning Department has authority.</i>				
Post-Disaster Management	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Real Estate Disclosure	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Growth Management	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Site Plan Review	Yes	Yes		
<i>Comment: Town Plan Commission and County Zoning Administrator</i>				
Environmental Protection	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Flood Damage Prevention	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Emergency Management	Yes	No		
<i>Comment: Town Chair</i>				
Climate Change	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Other	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				

	Local Authority	Other Jurisdiction Authority	State Mandated	Integration Opportunity?
Planning Documents				
Comprehensive Plan	Yes	Yes	Yes	
<i>Is the plan compliant with the Comprehensive Planning Law (s. 66.1001)? Yes</i>				
<i>Comment: Town Plan Commission, Town Board, County Planning & Zoning Committee, County Board</i>				
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes	No	No	
<i>How often is the plan updated? Annually</i>				
<i>Comment: Five Year Road Plan</i>				
Disaster Debris Management Plan	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Floodplain or Watershed Plan	No	Yes		
<i>Comment: County Floodplain Ordinance and Portage County Drainage District</i>				
Stormwater Plan	No	Yes		
<i>Comment: Portage County Planning and Zoning has authority.</i>				
Urban Water Management Plan	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Habitat Conservation Plan	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Economic Development Plan	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Shoreline Management Plan	No	Yes		
<i>Comment: Portage County Planning and Zoning – Shoreland Zoning Ordinance</i>				
Community Wildfire Protection Plan	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Forest Management Plan	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Climate Action Plan	No			
<i>Comment:</i>				
Emergency Management Plan	Yes	No		

Comment: Town of Plover Local Emergency Response Plan

Threat & Hazard Identification & Risk Assessment (THIRA)

No

Comment:

Post-Disaster Recovery Plan

No

Comment:

Continuity of Operations Plan

No

Comment:

Public Health Plan

No

Comment:

Other

Comment:

Table 15-4. Development and Permitting Capability

Criterion	Response
Does your jurisdiction issue development permits? <i>If no, who does? If yes, which department?</i>	Yes – Building Permits, Driveway Permits, Utility Permits & Assignment of new Fire Numbers Building Inspector & Town Chair
Does your jurisdiction have the ability to track permits by hazard area?	No
Does your jurisdiction have a buildable lands inventory?	No

Table 15-5. Fiscal Capability

Financial Resource	Accessible or Eligible to Use?
Community Development Block Grants	No
Capital Improvements Project Funding	Yes
Authority to Levy Taxes for Specific Purposes	Yes
User Fees for Water, Sewer, Gas or Electric Service	No
Incur Debt through General Obligation Bonds	Yes
Incur Debt through Special Tax Bonds	No
Incur Debt through Private Activity Bonds	No
Withhold Public Expenditures in Hazard-Prone Areas	No
State-Sponsored Grant Programs	Yes
Development Impact Fees for Homebuyers or Developers	No
Other	

Table 15-6. Administrative and Technical Capability

Staff/Personnel Resource	Available?	Department/Agency/Position
Planners or engineers with knowledge of land development and land management practices	No	
Engineers or professionals trained in building or infrastructure construction practices	No	
Planners or engineers with an understanding of natural hazards	No	
Staff with training in benefit/cost analysis	No	
Surveyors	No	
Personnel skilled or trained in GIS applications	No	
Scientist familiar with natural hazards in local area	No	
Emergency manager	Yes	Town Chair (if not available Town Board Supervisor) with assistance from Portage County
Grant writers	No	
Other		

Table 15-7. Education and Outreach Capability

Criterion	Response
Do you have a public information officer or communications office? <i>If yes, briefly describe.</i>	No
Do you have personnel skilled or trained in website development?	No
Do you have hazard mitigation information available on your website? <i>If yes, briefly describe.</i>	No
Do you use social media for hazard mitigation education and outreach? <i>If yes, briefly describe.</i>	No
Do you have any citizen boards or commissions that address issues related to hazard mitigation? <i>If yes, briefly describe.</i>	No
Do you have any other programs already in place that could be used to communicate hazard-related information? <i>If yes, briefly describe.</i>	Yes Town Website

Table 15-8. National Flood Insurance Program Compliance

Criterion	Response
What is your participation status in the National Flood Insurance Program?	Not Participating
What local department is responsible for floodplain management?	Portage County Zoning
Who is your floodplain administrator? (department/position)	County Zoning Administrator
Are any certified floodplain managers on staff in your jurisdiction?	No
What is the date that your flood damage prevention ordinance was last amended?	None
Does your floodplain management program meet or exceed minimum requirements set by NFIP? The DNR's model floodplain ordinance meets NFIP's minimum standards. <i>If exceeds, in what ways?</i>	The County is in compliance with the DNR's model floodplain ordinance and meets minimum standards.
When was the most recent Community Assistance Visit or Community Assistance Contact?	N/A
Does your jurisdiction have any outstanding NFIP compliance violations that need to be addressed? <i>If so, state what they are.</i>	N/A
What date was your latest Flood Insurance Rate Map adopted?	County is in control of the flood insurance rate map.
Are any RiskMAP projects currently underway in your jurisdiction? <i>If so, state what they are.</i>	N/A
Do your flood hazard maps adequately address the flood risk within your jurisdiction? <i>If no, state why.</i>	County administers the flood hazard maps.
Does your floodplain management staff need any assistance or training to support its floodplain management program? <i>If so, what type of assistance/training is needed? It would be helpful to have a certified floodplain manager on staff,</i>	N/A
Does your jurisdiction participate in the Community Rating System (CRS)? <i>If yes, is your jurisdiction interested in improving its CRS Classification? If no, is your jurisdiction interested in joining the CRS program?</i>	N/A
How many flood insurance policies are in force in your jurisdiction? ^a <i>What is the insurance in force? What is the premium in force?</i>	Unknown
How many total loss claims have been filed in your jurisdiction?^a <i>What were the total payments for losses?</i>	Unknown
Please describe the implementation and enforcement of floodplain management regulations to regulate and permit development in Special Flood Hazard Areas.	N/A

Please describe the floodplain management programs and activities that contribute to continued compliance with NFIP.	N/A
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Table 15-9. Community Classifications			
	Participating?	Classification	Date Classified
FIPS Code	Yes	55-63550	Unknown
DUNS #	Yes	Confidential	Unknown
Community Rating System	N/A	N/A	N/A
Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule	N/A	N/A	N/A
Public Protection	Yes	6/10	Unknown
Storm Ready	N/A	N/A	N/A
Firewise	N/A	N/A	N/A

Table 15-10. Adaptive Capacity for Climate Change

Criterion	Jurisdiction Rating^a
Technical Capacity	
Jurisdiction-level understanding of potential climate change impacts. <i>Comment:</i>	Unsure
Jurisdiction-level monitoring of climate change impacts <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Technical resources to assess proposed strategies for feasibility and externalities. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Jurisdiction-level capacity for development of greenhouse gas emissions inventory <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Capital planning and land use decisions informed by potential climate impacts. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Participation in regional groups addressing climate risks. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Implementation Capability	
Clear authority/mandate to consider climate change impacts during public decision-making processes. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Identified strategies for greenhouse gas mitigation efforts. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Identified strategies for adaptation to impacts. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Champions for climate action in local government departments <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Political support for implementing climate change adaptation strategies. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Financial resources devoted to climate change adaptation. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Local authority over sectors likely to be negative impacted. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Public Capability	
Local residents knowledge of and understanding of climate risk. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Local residents support of adaptation efforts <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Local residents' capacity to adapt to climate impacts. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Local economy's current capacity to adapt to climate impacts. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure
Local ecosystems' capacity to adapt to climate impacts. <i>Comment:</i> [Describe any capability]	Unsure

a. High = Capacity exists and is in use; Medium = Capacity may exist but is not used or could use some improvement; Low = Capacity does not exist or could use substantial improvement; Unsure= Not enough information is known to assign a rating.

15.5 Integration Review

For hazard mitigation planning, “integration” means that hazard mitigation information is used in other relevant planning mechanisms, such as general planning and capital facilities planning, and that relevant information from those sources is used in hazard mitigation. This section identifies where such integration is already in place, and where there are opportunities for further integration in the future. The resources listed at the end of this annex were used to provide information on integration.

15.5.1 Existing Integration

Some level of integration has already been established between local hazard mitigation planning and the following other local plans and programs:

None

15.5.2 Opportunities for Future Integration

The capability assessment presented in this annex identified the following plans and programs that do not currently integrate hazard mitigation information but provide opportunities to do so in the future:

None

15.6 Risk Assessment

15.6.1 Jurisdiction-Specific Hazard Event History

Table 15-11 lists past occurrences of hazards for which specific damage was recorded in the Town of Plover. Other hazard events that broadly affected the entire planning area, including Portage County, are listed in the risk assessments in the base plan of this hazard mitigation plan.

Table 15-11. Past Hazard Events			
Type of Event	FEMA Disaster #	Date	Assessed Damage (monetary, fatalities, injuries, structures destroyed or damaged)
Spring Flooding in eastern part of Town of Plover in five areas: Bluebird Subdivision Cabernet Court Cty Hwy R & Roosevelt Dr Cty Hwy R & Shady Dr Kennedy Ave	?	March, 2019	Basements of homes flooded, septic system backup into basements, private well contamination, road damage with impassable roads for several days.
Windstorm (Derecho) – Wide spread throughout the township	?	July 20, 2019	Heavy tree damage, closed roads, damage to private homes and structures, loss of power over wide area, extensive debris collection by Town.
Wisconsin River Flooding in localized areas (Park Drive)			Highwater events experienced almost yearly which closes Park Dr for a period of time. Periodically causes some damage.

15.6.2 Hazard Risk and Vulnerability Summary

Table 15-12 presents a summary of all hazards of concern for this jurisdiction including their location, extent, and probability.

Table 5-12. Hazard Risk Ranking			
Hazard	Risk Summary	Vulnerability Summary	Impact Summary
Severe Weather – including tornadoes, high winds, hail, and lightning	There is always a risk for severe weather.	Trees, debris and damage to structures as well as blocked roads and power outages.	Damage results in costs to residents and well as a cost to the Town for clearance of roads and disposal of debris.
Flooding – including Dam Failure	<p>The flooding hazard that occurred in 2019 has occurred in the past and that area is susceptible to repeat floodings if the same conditions are met which includes: Deep frost with rapid warm-up and deep snow pack and/or a substantial rainfall which then causes rapid run-off to collect in local depressions and follow historic intermittent waterways.</p> <p>There are three areas that are at risk for this flooding scenario. Those areas are identified on attached maps numbered 1-3.</p> <p>In addition, there is another risk area located along the banks of the Wisconsin River that is susceptible to riverine flooding. This type of flooding is a frequent occurrence especially in the spring. The area affected by this flooding is identified on the attached map #4. This area would be catastrophically impacted if an upstream dam were to fail.</p>	<p>Residential home areas that are located near these intermittent floodways are vulnerable to damage and loss of use. Flooding of septic systems creates sewage backup into homes. Private wells are vulnerable to contamination. Roads become flooded causing road closures and damage to roads.</p> <p>This riverine flooding creates a risk of damage to homes located in this area.</p> <p>It is a very common event for the roads to be flooded denying access (ingress and egress) to these homes and the County Park located in this area.</p>	<p>These occurrences are a severe impact to residents of the Town that are within the boundaries of these waterways. The impact includes loss of use and loss of access, loss of potable water and adequate sewage treatment which exposes residents to health risks. Contamination would be carried to the Little Plover River which is a Class I trout stream.</p> <p>Damage to homes is usually minimal these homes do not have basements, but septic systems and wells can be affected.</p> <p>Damage to roads is more commonplace which creates an expense for the Town for repair.</p>
Wildfire	Wildfire risk is present when drought	The Buena Vista Wildlife grasslands and	Impacts to wildlife including the Greater

	conditions in our sandy soil areas causes dry vegetation to become fuel for wildfires.	the yet to be established prairie grasslands withing the industrial scale solar farms which will encompass 10,000 acres.	Prairie Chicken (an endangered species) and the infrastructure investments in the industrial scale solar farms.
Drought	See Wildfire above. Extended drought periods could lower the water table which is the source for local residential wells.	The impact to local residential wells would take an extended drought period, consequently the risk is low.	Private residential wells would suffer the greatest impact.
Severe Winter Weather – including blizzards	Because of our flat open terrain, small snow events combined with extended periods of high winds causes drifting to occur.	Local roads can experience closures due to drifting which impedes use by local residents as well as emergency response vehicles.	Local rural roads are most vulnerable – especially those situated in a north/south orientation in the expansive agricultural areas. Clearing of these roads can become problematic and expensive for the township.
Power Outage	An extended power outage is generally tied to a major wind/storm event.	Could happen anywhere in the township.	All town residents could experience issues with a significant outage.
Infrastructure Failure (bridges, roads, etc.)	Loss of use of roads due to high water and/or culvert washouts.	Roads located near or within the intermittent floodways and/or the riverine flood risk areas.	Extended road closures could occur affect use by local residents and emergency response vehicles.
Hazardous Materials	<p>The battery storage systems planned for the industrial scale solar farms could pose a risk from hazardous materials from a runaway fire that is impossible to suppress and could spread.</p> <p>In addition, there are 8 fixed hazardous materials facilities in the Town of Plover. CN railroad also runs through the town.</p>	Numerous vulnerabilities exist for a hazardous materials event. Town would need assistance.	Significant impact to surrounding residents – would not be limited to Town of Plover residents.

15.6.3 Jurisdiction-Specific Vulnerabilities

The base plan of this hazard mitigation plan provides complete risk assessments for each identified hazard of concern. This section provides information on a few key vulnerabilities for the jurisdiction. Available jurisdiction-specific risk maps of the hazards are provided at the end of this annex.

The Town of Plover's Hazard Mitigation Planning Team identified the following jurisdiction-specific vulnerabilities:

Each of these vulnerabilities is described in greater detail below.

Repetitive Loss Properties

Repetitive loss records are as follows:

- Number of Repetitive-Loss Properties: Unknown
- Number of Severe-Repetitive-Loss Properties: Unknown
- Number of Repetitive-Loss Properties or Severe-Repetitive-Loss Properties that have been mitigated: Unknown

Data from the repetitive flooding events (those affecting intermittent waterways and riverine areas described above in Table 15-12) has not been captured to give accurate information regarding the number of properties affected or the number of properties mitigated. The same is true for significant windstorms that have occurred.

The flooding events experienced within the Town of Plover have also affected the Village of Plover. The Village has captured and documented more information regarding losses.

Other Noted Vulnerabilities

- Unknown

15.7 Status of Previous Plan Actions

Table 15-13 summarizes the actions that were recommended in the previous version of the hazard mitigation plan (Portage County Hazard Mitigation Plan) and their implementation status at the time this update was prepared.

Table 15-13. Status of Previous Plan Actions				
Action Item	Completed	Removed; No longer Feasible	Carried Over to Plan Update	
			Check if Yes	Action # in Update
Develop a Stormwater Management Plan and integrate with Community Plans, Zones, and Ordinances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	TPHH1
Comment: Project was never implemented by County.				
Develop a listing of roads prone to flooding and design and implement flood reduction diversion projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TPHH1

Comment: Raising roadways does not mitigate the main impact of flooding to private property. Nothing was done. Roads at risk are identified in newly attached maps.

15.8 Hazard Mitigation Action Plan and Evaluation of Recommended Actions

TPHP1 Mitigation Action: Town of Plover	
Goal:	Property and Environment
Additional Goals:	
Action Item Summary:	Develop a listing of roads prone to flooding and design and implement flood reduction projects. See newly attached maps referencing the areas at risk.
Action Item Description:	<p>Work with private landowners to develop a ditched water course that will better accommodate the transport of flood waters through the residential area – see maps referencing Bluebird/Cabernet & Roosevelt Dr.</p> <p>Work with the Village of Plover, Town of Buena Vista and Portage County Drainage District to develop an alternate water course outlet to divert a large share of flooding waters away from the downtown Plover intersections that have been prone to major flooding – see map referencing the South Plover area.</p>
Hazard(s):	Dam/Levee Failure, Flood (Riverine), Flood (Urban/Flash Flooding)
Lead Party Responsible:	Town of Plover
Supporting Parties:	Department of Transportation
Estimated Cost:	High
Funding Method:	Grants - HMA, Public Assistance, other federal and state grants
Benefits:	High
Benefits New or Existing Assets:	<p>The following Town of Plover roads are impacted by the described flooding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kennedy Ave Shady Drive Bluebird Drive Cabernet Court Cardinal Drive Lindstrom Lane Oakwood Lane Roosevelt Drive Park Drive Porter Drive
Implementation Schedule:	Short Term (1-5 Years)

Year Initiated:	2019
Priority:	Medium

15.9 Public Outreach

15.9.1 Public Outreach Events/Activities

Table 15-15. Public Outreach Events/Activities			
Event	Date	Summary	Attendees
Presented to Town Board at public meeting	12/1/2024	Town Board Members asked to review and provide input	Roger Bentley, Joe Firkus, Dick Pingel, Rex Rossier, Patricia Weller
Final draft of plan available to interested parties available at the Town Hall – notice of availability posted on Town Website.	1/2/2025	A log of interested parties and comments will be collected.	
Town Board Meeting	1/15/2025	Final draft will be offered for approval at Town Board Meeting.	

15.9.2 Continued Public Participation

To be determined.

15.10 Plan Monitoring, Implementation, and Future Updates

As a participant in the 2025 update to the Portage County Mitigation Plan, the Town of Plover agrees to convene their internal planning team at least annually to review their progress on hazard mitigation strategies and to update the plan based on new data or recent disasters.

When Portage County sends federal notices of funding opportunity for the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant Program, the town will evaluate the viability of projects eligible for such grants and submit grant applications if appropriate to align with the priorities of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. This will be a key strategy to implement the plan.

15.11 Information Sources Used for This Annex

The following technical reports, plans, and regulatory mechanisms were reviewed for this annex.

None

The following outside resources and references were reviewed:

Historical knowledge of local residents that have experienced multiple flooding events was used in developing the plan.