



January 11, 2022

The Honorable Mayor Rhonda Stell  
City of Johnson City

Blanco County has begun the process of updating and resubmitting our Hazard Mitigation Plan, which is required every five years by the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM). We have retained the consulting firm of Langford Community Management Services (LCMS) to assist our Department of Emergency Management in completing this task.

I invite you to participate in this process. A single, community-wide plan which includes all of the essential services in the county, cities, school districts and special purpose districts is preferred by TDEM. A Hazard Mitigation Plan is a prerequisite for applications for mitigation project funding to be processed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The major advantage of your participation in this comprehensive plan is no individual plan is required for your facilities or other assets. Mitigation of hazards identified in the plan are eligible for FEMA funding, usually at the 75% level, which offsets a significant portion of the project cost.

We will also be submitting grant applications which, if awarded, will fund the majority, if not all, of the expense of utilizing LCMS, therefore we do not anticipate passing on any of the cost-share to your organization. This would only change if we are not successful in getting grant funding. In that case only a modest amount would be requested, as the majority of the cost for this work is included in the county operating budget.

I urge you to consider participating in this process and if you agree, please complete and return the attached letter via email at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Megna in our Emergency Management office at 830-868-2584, or by email at [mmegna@co.blanco.tx.us](mailto:mmegna@co.blanco.tx.us).

Regards,

Brett G. Bray  
County Judge

Attachment

ParticipantInvitation.doc

Place on Entity Letterhead

Date:

The Honorable Judge Brett Bray  
Blanco County Courthouse  
101 E. Pecan  
Johnson City, Texas 78636

Dear Judge Bray:

Insert entity name has been made aware that Blanco County, as the lead applicant, is applying for a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant for an update to Blanco County's Hazard Mitigation Action Plan (HMAP) and to create a multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Action Plan.

Participation in a FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Action Plan is required for future eligibility for FEMA mitigation project grant funding.

We understand that the Planning Grant funding received will be used to hire a qualified consultant who will work with the involved cities, the county and other identified participants to ensure that the Hazard Mitigation Action Plan (HMAP) is completed for FEMA approval.

Insert entity name commits, through the submission of this letter, to actively participate in the planning process for the entire length of time required from Plan inception to FEMA approval of the Plan. Our representative in this project will be insert name who can be contacted at insert email address.

Insert entity name further agrees to contribute a proportional amount to required grant matching funds, should that become necessary. It is understood that Force Account Labor can be used to help make a portion of the required match if documented properly for time spent in planning sessions and information and document creation.

Sincerely,

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*Insert Name & Position*

Please email this letter to Charles Reagan with the Title Blanco HMAP to email [charles@lcmsinc.com](mailto:charles@lcmsinc.com) and copy [mmegna@co.blanco.tx.us](mailto:mmegna@co.blanco.tx.us).

Thank you.

A copy of the letter will be provided to The Honorable Brett Bray, Blanco County Judge.