# Fostering Resiliency through the Tribal Mitigation Planning Process

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# Mitigation

Mitigation is the reduction or elimination of long-term risk to human life and property from hazards and helps create strong, resilient tribal communities



**Emergency Management Activities** 



# **Benefits of Mitigation Planning for Tribal Governments**



#### Goals

- Protect life and injury resulting from natural hazards.
- 2. Minimize the impact of natural hazards while protecting, restoring, and sustaining environmental processes.
- 3. Build and support local capacity to enable the public to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.
- 4. Minimize damage to historic and cultural resources.

What are other benefits for your tribe?



# Mitigation Planning Process



Remember! Even after your Tribal plan is approved, the planning process continues through implementation of your mitigation strategy. In addition, your plan must be updated every five years to maintain eligibility for certain FEMA grants.

### Keep track of progress.

Observe and record progress In Implementing your mitigation program using a defined method and schedule.

### Develop an action plan.

Prioritize your actions and develop the details to assist with implementation.

### Develop the strategy.

Keeping in mind your risks your Tribe's mitigation goals

### Describe your community.

Describe the planning area, Tribal assets, and any unique characteristics of your Tribe.

### Identify your hazards.

Figure out what natural hazards could occur in your planning area.

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### Review your current capability to mitigate the impacts.

Inventory your Tribe's plans, policies, and programs that could be used to protect your community.

Explain impacts that hazards can have on the community.

Describe what the natural hazards could do to your people, property, and land and determine the Tribe's biggest hazard concerns.



# Mitigation Planning Creates <u>Partnerships</u> & Plan Integration Opportunities

- Tribal Council
- Tribal Planners
  - Comprehensive/Land Use Plans
- Tribal Members
- Public works/Engineering Staff
- Emergency Managers
- Natural Resource Specialists
- Elected and Executive Officials
- Floodplain Administrator
  - Floodplain Management Plans
- Fire Specialists
  - Wildfire Protection Plans

- Housing Authorities
  - Housing Plans
- Public Information Officer
- Public Health
  - Public Health Plans
- Building Department/Code Enforcement
- Business Enterprise Leaders
  - Economic Development Plans
- State Partners (Emergency Mgt., Transportation, etc.)
- Federal Partners (Federal Emergency Management Agency, Environmental Protection Agency, etc.)

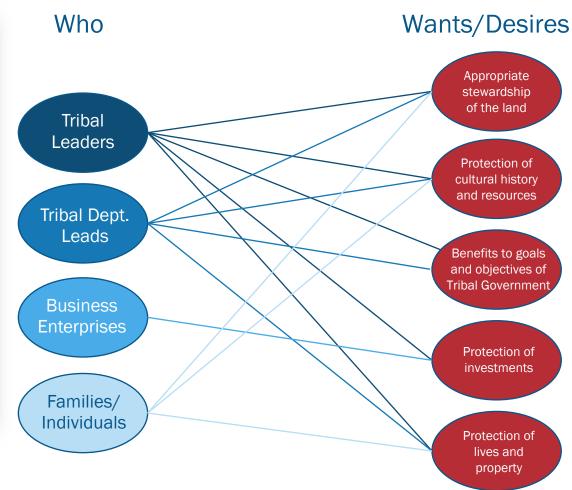
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# Mitigation Planning Creates Public Engagement

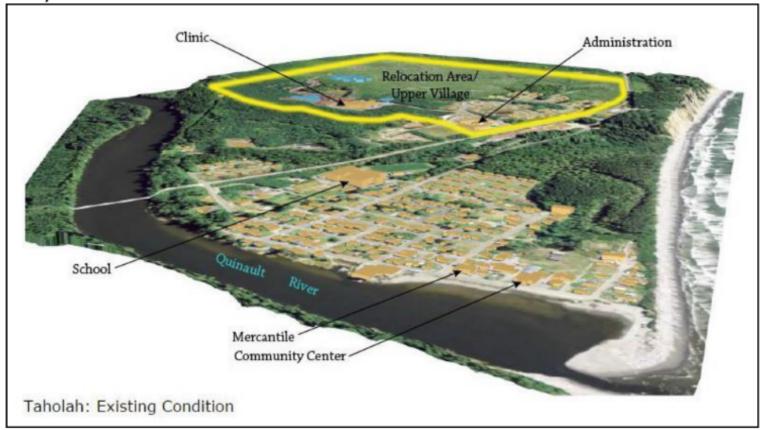


Quinault Indian Nation Mitigation Planning Workshops



# Mitigation Planning Creates Actions!

Figure 12-1. Map of Existing Condition from Taholah Village Relocation Master Plan (QIN 2016)



Quinault Indian Nation - Taholah Village Relocation



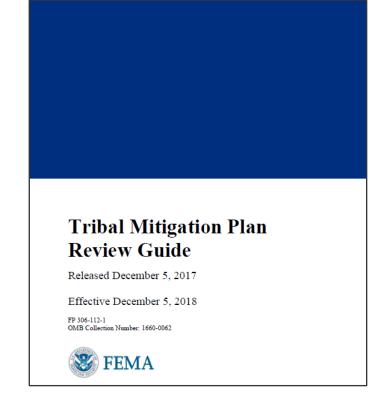
# **Federal Planning Requirements**

### Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000

- Establishes eligibility for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA)
- Requires Tribal, State, and local governments to submit plans to FEMA for review

### Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 201.7

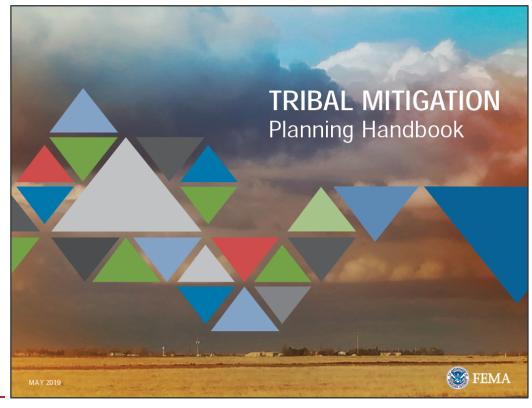
- Publishes requirements for approval of a Tribal mitigation plan
- Requires mitigation plan approved by FEMA for mitigation grant eligibility
- Requires plan update every five years





# Plan Development Resources

- Tribal Mitigation Planning Handbook (May 2019): https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/179207
- Tribal Mitigation Plan Review Guide (Dec. 2018): https://www.fema.gov/medialibrary/assets/documents/18355
- Mitigation Ideas: https://www.fema.gov/medialibrary/assets/documents/30627
- FEMA Tribal Liaisons: https://www.fema.gov/contactfema-tribal-liaisons
- FEMA Mitigation Planning Website: http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-planning





# **Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program**

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# What is Pre-Disaster Mitigation?

- Goal: Reduce overall risk to individuals and property from future hazard events
- Nationally competitive based on criteria in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
- Available annually dependent on funding appropriations
- Federally recognized tribes can apply directly to FEMA. Funds were set aside for tribal governments in the last 5 NOFOs

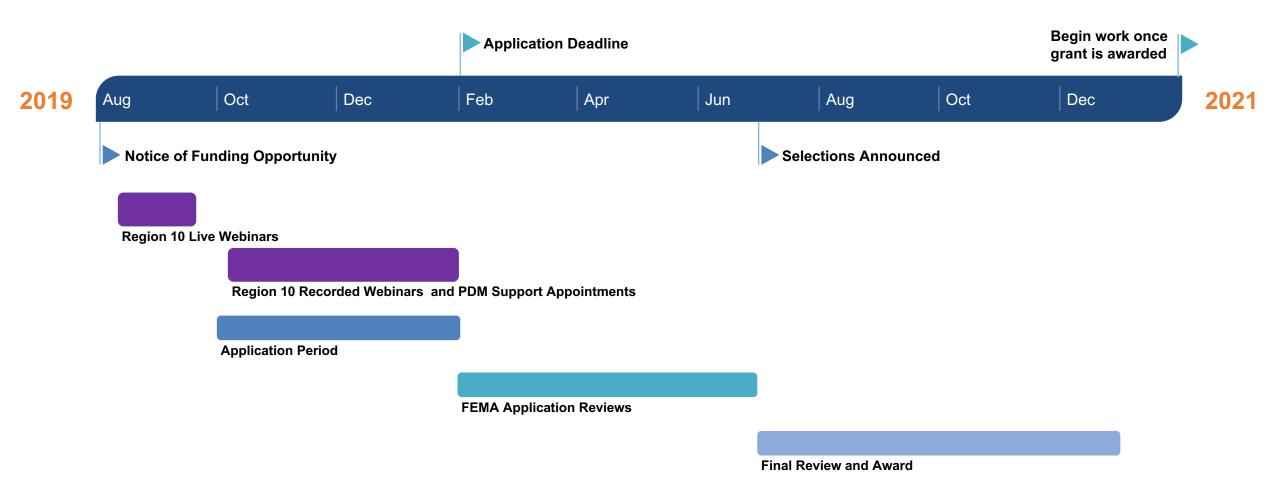


# **Grant Types**

- Planning Grant funds to create or update a FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Project Grant funds to implement eligible projects for/from your Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Advanced Assistance funds to develop mitigation projects for future funding



# **Anticipated Pre-Disaster Mitigation 2019 Timeline**



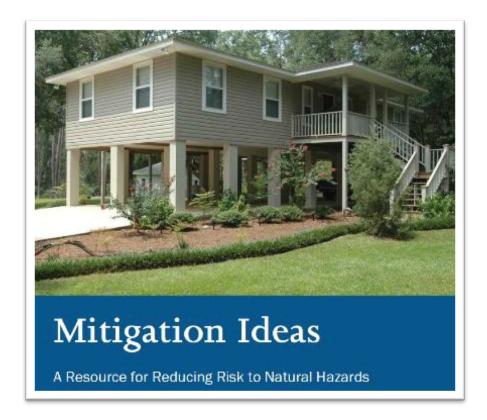
\*\*\*\*All dates are estimates and may change prior to Notice of Funding Opportunity



# Job Aids and Resources



# Mitigation Ideas



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# **HMA Program Guidance**



### Hazard Mitigation Assistance Guidance

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program, and Flood Mitigation Assistance Program February 27, 2015



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# HMA Guidance - Project Addendums



### Hazard Mitigation Assistance Guidance Addendum

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- Property Acquisitions
- Wildfire Mitigation
- Safe Rooms
- Mitigation Reconstruction
- Structure Elevation



### **HMA Job Aids**

fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance-publications

### Hazard Mitigation Assistance Publications

This page hosts all Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) documents by eligible project activity. The information will be updated as new documents are created or as outdated documents become archived. For reference as to what activities are eligible, please visit the <u>eligible activities chart</u>.

Looking for additional documents? Please visit the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Collection of Documents page.

- > Expand All Sections
- > Acquisition
- > All Hazards
- > Earthquake
- > Elevation
- > Flood Projects (All Flood Based Activities Are Grouped Here)
- > Hazard Mitigation Planning
- > Miscellaneous / Other
- > Mitigation Reconstruction
- > Non-Structural Retrofitting
- > Saferoom
- > Structural Retrofitting
- > Wildfire
- > Wind Retrofit



### Resources

- HMA Webpage: fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance
- Mitigation eGrants System Webpage: fema.gov/mitigation-egrants-system-0

Region 10 PDM Help:

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